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FIRST REPORT

OF THE

Providence. RECORD COMMISSIONERS

RELATIVE TO THE

EARLY TOWN RECORDS.

[Presented March 7, 1892.]

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REPORT.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

Gentlemen: In accordance with the joint resolution of the City Council, which was approved March 6, 1891, and which reads as follows, viz.:

"*Resolved*, That Horatio Rogers, George M. Carpenter and Edward Field are appointed record commissioners, who shall serve without compensation, for the purpose of collecting and printing the early records of the town of Providence, and said commissioners are authorized to expend the sum of one thousand dollars for collecting and printing said records, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for printing," the undersigned respectfully submit a volume of the early records of the town of Providence, which they have caused to be printed. The report presented to your honorable body by the Joint Committee on Education recommending the passage of the aforegoing resolution contains this clause: "On the completion of this volume the commissioners will be able to report much more definitely than can be estimated the probable extent and cost of the work, and the city council can better decide when and how far it is advisable to continue." The commis-

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sioners therefore present for your consideration the following report and recommendations.

A brief review of the action taken by this town and city from time to time towards the preservation of its ancient records, will show that much consideration has been given to this subject. The earliest effort in this direction was made Aug. 12, 1678, when Daniel Abbott was elected town clerk, to succeed John Whipple, Jr. At this time Roger Williams and Daniel Abbott were appointed a committee "to take a list of what they received, and to give to ye sayd John Whipple a cleare and full discharge for the same."

This action was taken shortly after the Indian war [1675–76], when the town suffered so severely from its effects, and when the records passed through a severe ordeal. The original document, a copy of which is hereto annexed and marked "Appendix A," is preserved in the files of the Rhode Island Historical Society, and is among the manuscripts of the Foster papers, and from it is derived much information as to the extent and number of the earliest volumes of the town records. From it we also learn how much of the books yet remain intact, and what portions have been lost or effaced during the years that have elapsed since that time. The next account is embraced in a schedule found by the commissioners among a lot of loose papers in the store room at the city hall, and sheds much light on the condition and number of the records nearly ninety years later than the list previously mentioned. It is of peculiar value in many respects, especially in showing the advance and growth

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of the town in the number of volumes of land transactions which had taken place during these years between the date of the previous list and the date of this schedule.

A copy of this document is annexed, marked "Appendix B." It is to be regretted that certain of the books and papers contained in these lists or schedules are not to be found in the possession of the city, having doubtless been lost, as too little care was exercised in the preservation of old papers in the early years of the town. The late John Howland, a man of intense fondness for antiquarian research in Rhode Island history, often lamented the recklessness with which the papers of the early settlers of Rhode Island had been destroyed. "From a quantity thrown into the street, which he gathered up and carried to his place of business, he recovered several original letters of Roger Williams," a fact painfully illustrating how little the value of these ancient papers and documents was regarded in years gone by.

June 6, 1796, a committee was appointed for the purpose of examining the town records and ascertaining "what record books it may be necessary to cause to be transcribed, indexed or otherwise amended, and that said committee make report of their proceedings herein at the next town meeting." "Appendix C." That committee reported June 23, 1796, recommending that the work be done, and a resolution was adopted in town meeting authorizing it. "Appendix D." The outcome of this action was the Book of Trancripts, so called, which has been used and referred to from that time to this, in place of the earliest books of

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record, except, perhaps, by a comparative few who wished to examine the original records themselves. This volume is valuable in some respects, although its accuracy is questionable. Of it Judge Staples in his "Annals" says, "It would have been more valuable had the committee who superintended the work, and the clerk who performed it, been a little more careful and a little less anxious to compress it in one volume." The original books from which this transcript was made remained in their worn and mutilated condition for many years without any attempt being made to have them preserved. The inaccuracies of the transcript and the continued deterioration of the old volumes seems to have become a matter of serious consideration, and September 11, 1865, a committee was appointed by the common council "to examine the condition of the early records of the town of Providence to the year 1800; and the committee was authorized to employ a suitable person to transcribe and print the same, and to take such measures as might by them be deemed expedient for a proper preservation of the records," the sum of five hundred dollars being appropriated for this purpose, "Appendix E." November 13th, of that same year, a committee, slightly different in its composition from the previous one, was appointed "to examine the early records of the town of Providence prior to the year 1800, and report what in their opinion is the best manner of preserving the same, and in case they may deem it expedient to have them printed to report the probable expense thereof." "Appendix F."

In May, 1881, the Library Committee of the Rhode Island Historical Society, in a communication to

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Mayor William S. Hayward, called attention to the damaged condition of the early records, and urged upon the city council the importance of their preservation. In accordance with this recommendation a resolution was approved June 7, 1881, authorizing the recorder of deeds "to cause the first volume of the records of the town of Providence to be suitably rebound and the leaves to be inlaid in new paper, the expense to be paid from money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated." "Appendix G." In July, 1884, Mayor Thomas A. Doyle in a message to the city council, stated that "By a resolution of the city council, approved June 7, 1881, the recorder of deeds was authorized "to cause the first volume of the records of the town of Providence to be suitably rebound and the leaves to be inlaid in new paper, the expense to be paid from money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. The work proposed in this resolution has never been accomplished, and very little progress has been made in regard to it." The city council again passed a resolution similar to those that had previously been adopted, instructing the "joint committee on printing to inquire into the matter of printing the first four books of the records of the town of Providence, with the probable cost thereof and all matters connected therewith, and to report thereon to either branch of the city council." "Appendix H." It will thus be seen that the matter of preserving the public records has had consideration by the authorities, and their value and importance have been many times acknowledged by resolutions, recommendations and special messages; but beyond the fact that a few

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of the earliest books of record have been repaired and re-bound, no step whatever has been taken towards the only safe means of preserving permanently these priceless writings until the action of the city council in March last, in pursuance of several petitions presented by persons and societies interested in this matter.

The subject of preserving ancient records in print is one which has received most serious consideration by many of the states, cities, towns and parishes included in the thirteen original colonies. The city of Boston, in the year 1875, appointed a commission for this purpose, and upwards of twenty volumes of reports have been issued from their hands, bringing the printed records of that city up to the year 1800. The city of Worcester has also given pecuniary encouragement to the publication of their town records, and among the smaller towns and cities in New England having a similar object in view, are included Braintree, Cambridge, Danvers, Fall River, Salem, Amherst, Brookline, Dedham, and others that either have the subject under consideration, or have already placed their copies in the printers' hands.

The reason for this care in the preservation of records will be apparent, even upon a brief consideration. In the first place these records are highly important as furnishing evidence by deeds, lay-outs, wills and many other documents of the greatest consequence, in tracing and proving the ownership and descent of property, furnishing material for the history of the towns themselves, and preserving the records of the births, deaths and marriages.

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The loss of this material, so extremely valuable if not priceless, would be deplorable, and yet while in many instances these records have withstood the ravages of time for more than two hundred and fifty years, they are to-day in greater danger of destruction than they were during that period of their existence when they were kept in the home or shop of their custodian without any unusual care on his part to guard their contents. In the report of the record commissioner of Massachusetts in 1885, it is stated that some of the public records "have resisted decay for more than two hundred and fifty years, but it is only too evident their powers of resistance are now in many cases nearly at an end, and that the time is not far distant when these records will have entirely disappeared. Perhaps if we had continued in the simple ways of our forefathers, the evil day might have been still further postponed."

With the modern equipments of public offices has come a new danger, although remote yet still liable to occur at any moment. Steam heat, gas, and electricity are a constant source of danger to public records. Steam heat seriously affects books and papers, and the danger of fire from gas and electricity is not an uncommon one; indeed, the probate office for the county of Suffolk, in the city of Boston, has been on fire within the past year from electric wires, but happily in the day time, when it was seasonably discovered. Public records of any character are constantly in danger of destruction, and a long list of such casualties could be enumerated. All the records in the registry of deeds for the county of Barnstable, Mass., were

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destroyed by fire October 22, 1827, and all the probate records for the county of Cumberland, which although now in Maine was formerly a part of Massachusetts, were destroyed in the great Portland fire, July 4, 1866.

In our own state the records of all kinds of the town of North Kingstown were seriously injured, if indeed, not practically destroyed, in the same way in 1870, for their condition now is such that they are of little use. The old records of Newport were so badly damaged during the Revolution that they are well nigh valueless. During the Indian war [1675–6], the records of the town of Providence were in imminent danger of destruction. An attack was made on the town March 30, 1676, and thirty houses were destroyed, one of which says Staples "was the house of John Smith, the miller. Mr. Smith was at that time town clerk, and the records of the town were then in his possession. They were thrown from his burning house into the mill-pond to preserve them from the flames, and to the present day they bear plenary evidence of the two-fold dangers they escaped and the two-fold injury they suffered. After they were rescued from the mill-pond they were carried to Newport, and were not returned again to Providence until after the war was at an end."

The Proprietors' Records of Providence were consumed by fire in 1888, when the Aldrich House and other adjacent buildings in the city of Providence were burned.

The state of Maine has committed to print their early probate records, including all the wills from 1640 to 1760, and the deeds of York county, from 1642 to

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1699. The early deeds of Suffolk County, Mass., have been similarly treated. In this connection is presented the following abstract from the report on the dangers to which public records are exposed and the proper method of preserving them, made by the committee of the council of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, at the meeting of the society held in Boston Jan. 2, 1889: "Some of our ancient towns," says the report, "have lost all their records by fire, and the same is true of many parishes. Indeed, the loss from this cause alone of town, county or church record is in the aggregate little short of appalling. Under these circumstances it is almost criminal negligence to allow any book of record to exist only in a single copy. Its life then hangs by a single thread. Now what is the remedy for this state of affairs? It is not far to seek, but is made manifest to every thinking man. Not even the crumbling of the paper, the corrosion or fading of the ink, not even a sweeping conflagration can utterly destroy records whose custodians have taken proper means to preserve them. How can this be done? In one way only. Simply by the multiplication of copies. The invention of the art of printing has made great changes in the modern world. In no direction has the advance been greater than in this. Copies, instead of being made toilsomely and laboriously by hand, can now be produced almost with the quickness of thought; and the great reduction in the cost of printing of late years has placed it in the power of every town and parish, however poor and feeble, to put into imperishable form its records, at least the earliest of them. And the work cannot

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be begun too soon. Nor is this all. The greater use made of stereotyping now-a-days, for even newspapers are printed from stereotype plates, has given us an additional safeguard. The printed volumes, being widely distributed, could not all be destroyed by fire, and being subject to different atmospheric conditions, could not all crumble to pieces at once. Some would certainly survive. But even if they should not, the stereotype plates would remain. From them other copies could be printed at the mere cost of press-work and paper. This would forever set at rest all fear of a total loss of records, a fate which hangs over most town and county records to-day.

"Where an ancient town has remained intact from its first settlement until now, the necessity of preserving in print records of such great historical value is readily apparent. Yet where other towns have been, in more modern times, set off from an ancient town, the need becomes still more evident. The safety of the records and the convenience of the public alike require it. Some towns have been repeatedly sub-divided. In one instance some seventeen or eighteen towns have been, in whole or in part, formed from the territory granted by the general court to the original town. And other instances equally striking can doubtless be cited. Although the newer municipalities have a history in common with the older towns of which they once formed a part, their records are defective, inasmuch as they extend back only to the time of separation, the books prior to that date remaining in the hands of the clerk of the parent town. This works serious inconvenience. Matters are continually com-

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ing up which necessitates reference to the earlier records, and they are not at hand. Each new town should have a complete set of the records, prior to separation of the original town of which it then formed a part. They belong as much to it as to the other. A new town should not be forced to see such invaluable documents placed beyond its control and in the keeping of officials not responsible to it, subjected to all the vicissitudes and dangers which records are continually running. Now the art of printing enables us to obviate all these difficulties. It solves the problem completely. When once the records are in type extra copies can be had merely for the cost of press-work and paper, and each is an exact duplicate of the other. No copyist's errors need be feared where the work is done with such mechanical accuracy. A printed copy is vastly superior to any manuscript copy that can possibly be made.

"But it must not for a moment be supposed that the people who live in any given town are the only persons interested in its records or concerned for the preservation of them. All of our towns, both ancient and modern, have contributed no small portion of their population to build up and develop the other parts of our rapidly growing country. There is hardly a remote corner of any one of the states and territories of the West where representatives of our New England families are not to be found. They naturally feel a peculiar pride in the place of their birth, and the children of these exiles should be encouraged to keep constantly in mind the home of their fathers. The publication of these records, therefore, interest a

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much larger number of people than are to be found within the limits of any single town, and these printed volumes reach more readers than we can easily imagine."

In the preparation of the volume which is herewith submitted and accompanies this report, the commissioners have devoted much personal attention. The commissioners met for organization April 25, 1891, and Horatio Rogers was made chairman, and Edward Field secretary. The work authorized under the resolution was at once commenced, and it was determined that the book known as the "First Book" should be printed. This book was evidently the first one used for records by the early settlers, for in it were recorded the earliest orders and votes of the town meetings, though it seems to have been discarded for this purpose after a time, and then to have been solely used for the enrollment of deeds, lay-outs of lands and other instruments.

The transcribing of this book and the other clerical work of the commission were intrusted to Miss Huldah D. Sheldon, her services in recording offices for a number of years past peculiarly fitting her for the work in hand.

The commissioners desire to testify to the interest she has manifested, the care with which she has investigated the many perplexing questions involved in copying, and to the general excellence of the work which she has performed. The course pursued in this respect has been to cause to be made a manuscript copy of the original, preserving the orthography, punctuation, and in fact every feature so far as

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practicable that appears in connection with the recorded matter in the book. Upon the completion of this work the commissioners together examined the written copy and compared it with the book called the Book of Transcripts, made by order of the town council in the year 1800, as well as with the original record. The proof sheets as received from the printer's hands were carefully corrected from the original record, or, where such record was defective, from the Book of Transcripts, so called. The pagination of the original has been preserved by placing each of its page numbers in a bold faced type, as the leaves are now arranged in the printed book, in brackets, in that part of the printed page where each page of the original begins; the pagination of the printed book, however, is the one referred to in the index. The types from which the book has been printed have all been stereotyped for the many advantages which are derived from this course. In the first place fewer copies need be printed, as subsequent editions can be struck off at any time when needed, which effects a saving in many particulars. The stereotype plates can be easily corrected if errors are found, which will obviate a list of "errata," so often met with in publications of a similar nature.

Criticism may be directed towards the appearance of the printed pages of the volume submitted, but appearance was not the end which the commissioners sought to attain. It is not within the power of any one to decide which of the several matters appearing in old records is of the most value; what may be valuable for a certain purpose to one may be of little or no value to another, and *vice versa;* and therefore it is

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important that each item, mark or figure contained in the original should be reproduced or represented. Nothing has been omitted or garbled, and the recorded volume has been as faithfully and accurately reproduced in type as the most painstaking care the commissioners were possessed of would enable them to do it. The cost of the books and the amount of time and labor required for their preparation make them too valuable for an indiscriminate distribution. The commissioners would recommend that they be gratuitously distributed by a method similar to that pursued by the city of Boston. A blank form of request such as is there used, a copy of which is herewith submitted, "Appendix I," might be used, and such persons as apply to a member of the city council or to the commissioners should be given a copy of the book, and their names kept on record for subsequent volumes, should the city council see fit to have them issued.

Public libraries and similar institutions in this and neighboring states should, of course, be furnished with copies when desired. The indiscriminate free distribution of public documents, too often pursued, wastes many copies, for experience has shown that in a short time the book thus distributed is considered of little value, and sooner or later is thrown aside and finds its way into the junk shop and the pulp mill. The course adopted by the city of Boston has been found to work well, and the commissioners are informed that their volumes have seldom been found out of the hands of those who received them or of those who were entitled to them.

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The commissioners have examined the ancient books, papers and documents relating to the town of Providence in the possession of the city, and submit a statement of their number, kind and condition, which is as follows:

1. The First Book town of Providence.

2. The Old Burnt Book or Book with the Brass Clasps.

3. An ancient book of miscellaneous records in two volumes as now arranged.

These volumes are included in the Book of Transcripts, heretofore referred to, inaccurately transcribed and unreliable, and contain all of the earliest measures adopted by the town, besides a vast amount of information of the greatest value. By authority of the city council they have been bound and inlaid in heavy paper, and are now in the custody of the recorder of deeds.

Vol. 1. Town Council Records, 1692–1714, containing seventy-two pages.

Vol. 2. Town Council Records, 1715–1732, containing seventy-eight pages.

Vol. 1. Town Meeting Records, 1692–1715, containing one hundred and two pages.

Vol. 2. Town Meeting Records, 1716–1721, containing sixty-two pages.

These volumes are rapidly becoming worn and mutilated, the edges of the leaves being broken and torn by handling for many years, and each day only adds to their liability to destruction. Save the fact that they were cheaply bound many years ago, nothing has ever been done to preserve them.

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Will Book 1 [so called,] 1670–1716, containing two hundred and eighty pages.

This book is in the custody of the clerk of the Municipal Court, and is the first book now known to be in existence which was particularly used for recording documents relating to the estates of the first inhabitants of the town. There was a book of an earlier date than this, and it is mentioned in the schedule of 1678 "Appendix A," but as no reference is made to it in the schedule of 1755 "Appendix B," the book was evidently lost or destroyed between those dates. This book has been repaired from time to time, and is in as good condition as these many years of usage would leave it.

In addition to the books of record, there are stored in cupboards in a room in the city hall a large number of papers and documents, tied up in bundles and partly classified, dating back as far as 1678. These papers contain information of great value, which would be gladly welcomed by our citizens could they be privileged to examine their contents. Included in these papers are depositions, indentures, documents relating to the Revolutionary war, tax-lists, a mass of records relating to the colonial monetary system, and many other varieties of records too numerous to particularize.

The effort to preserve ancient records already existing in their proper depositories should not be the sole aim of a commission of this kind. There are to-day stored and packed away in attics, old chests, trunks and boxes, papers and documents as valuable as the old records themselves, which shed light on the history and development of this town and city.

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These are not particularly valued by those in whose hands they are, but if it were known that there was competent authority to exercise a watchful care over such matters, the present owners and custodians would often gladly transfer them to such an authority that they might forever be secure against destruction. Indeed, the influence of this commission has already been felt in this respect, and there have been placed in their hands a number of original documents and papers bearing date from 1642 to 1774, consisting of wills, deeds, agreements and other writings which have been handed down through six generations to the present donor, Miss Ann Elizabeth Arnold, of Pawtuxet. Such gifts as these add additional links to the chain of evidence which surround our early history, and appreciation should insure their careful preservation and perpetuation.

In consideration of the value of the papers, books and documents herein referred to, and after giving the subject attentive investigation, the commissioners would make the following recommendations: That the work already inaugurated be continued until the early records of Providence are placed beyond the possibility of destruction. A small appropriation from time to time will accomplish this object, and the cost to the city will hardly be apparent. The amount required for the whole work cannot be satisfactorily estimated, but by pursuing the course herein recommended the city council will be informed of the cost and nature of the work from time to time as it progresses, and can continue or discontinue the same in its discretion.

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The commissioners herewith present a statement of the expenditures made from the appropriation placed at their disposal by the aforegoing resolution of the city council:

Amount paid H. D. Sheldon for transcribing First Book, ...	$36 00
Amount paid H. D. Sheldon for transcribing Second Book or book with Brass Clasps,	78 00
Amount paid H. D. Sheldon for transcribing First Book or Town Meeting Records,	90 00
Amount paid H. D. Sheldon for transcribing First Book of Town Council Records,	56 00
Amount paid Snow & Farnham for printing 500 copies First book, including electrotype plates, ...	383 64
Amount paid Snow & Farnham for printing application blanks, ...	3 50
Amount paid Akerman Co. for binding 500 copies First Book, ...	76 75
Amount paid J. C. Thompson for cuts for First Book, ...	6 84
Amount paid sundry persons for stationery, index cards, etc., ...	16 18
Amount paid H. D. Sheldon for preparing index for First Book, ...	139 00
Amount paid H. D. Sheldon for listing old papers and type writing, ...	69 00
Amount paid G. H. Richter & Co. for use of type writer, ...	16 00
Total expenditures, ...	$970 91

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RECAPITULATION.

Amount of appropriation by City Council, March 6, 1891, ...	$1,000 00
Amount of expenditures as above stated,	970 91
Balance on hand, ...	29 09

The Commissioners would respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

HORATIO ROGERS,
G. M. CARPENTER,
EDWARD FIELD,

Record Commissioners.

March 7, 1892.

No. 138. Resolution Appropriating a Further Sum of $1,500 for the Collecting and Printing of the Early Records.

[Approved April 2, 1892.]

RESOLVED, That the First Volume of the Early Records of the Town of Providence already printed and such volumes as may be hereafter printed be distributed in accordance with the recommendation of the Record Commissioners; and that the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of continuing the collecting and printing of said records, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for printing.

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APPENDIX A.

Book VII. Collections R. I. Hist. Society. Page 103.

Early Attempts at Rhode Island History.

THE ORIGINAL RECORDS OF THE TOWN OF PROVIDENCE-

Where as the Towne of providence did upon ye: 12th: of August: 1678: at a Towne meeting upon Ajornement, order and Appoynt mr. Roger Williams, and Daniell Abbott, Clerke, to receive of John Whipple junr the former Towne Clerke, the Townes Bookes, and recordes belonging to the Towne now in ye handes of the sayd John Whipple, and to take a List of what they Receive, and to give ye sayd John Whipple a cleare and full Disscharge for the same, the which wee have Done, Vizt

Impri The Towne old Booke: Containeing of: 70: leaves, and one not wrott upon, ...

[Item]. The longe Booke with parchment Covers Cheifely Consisting of recordes of Deedes, and of landes, Containeing of: 69: leaves, and 7 peces of leaves all wrott upon, besides two leaues pinned to an other, ...

" The Booke with Brass Clapses, Containeing of: 164 pages wrott upon besides fower leaves wrott upon which are not paged, as also: 18: leaues wrott upon at that end of ye Book where the Alphabett is, ...

" Papers of Generall Assemblys Acts to ye number of: 24: Each of them haveng the seale of ye Collony affixed, the seales being all of them in Good Condition nott defaced, saueing one which is an Assemblys Acts beareing date may ye: 4: 166–. . . . . .

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" The new Booke, for ye entry of Towne Acts and orders, with eight pages wrott upon besides part of the ninth wrott upon, . . .

" The new Booke for ye entry of land euidences, with nine pages wrott upon, and part of ye tenth page wrott upon, ...

" The new Book for ye entry of ye Towne Counsells Acts, there being part of one page of ye sayd Booke wrott upon. . . . . .

" A small paper Book Containeing the Enrolement of wills . . . . . .

" Courts Acts sewed to geather, in ye manner of: 2: Books, As also seuerall Courts Acts made up in roules to the number of: 18: with noe seales Afixed, ...

" Seuerall Coppies of William ffeildes and William Carpenters papers . . . . . .

" A Deed of Gift from Richard Waterman to his Grand Chilldren the Chilldren of Resolved Waterman [Deceased] . . . . .

" The old Deed called the Town Euidence .

" The Deed of Confirmation from Cussuckqunsh, and nenekelah with Richard Smith junr Testimony pinned thereto,

" The deed of Confirmation Scattupp, and Quequagonuett. . . . . .

" The deed of Confirmation from Caujanaquant, being alsoe subscribed Aiaquaomitt. the three Deedes of Confirmations being all indorsed with Testimonys on the back sides . . .

" The Deed in parchment from mr. Roger Williams to the Towne of providence . . .

" The inuentory of the Estate of John Clawson, Ass alsoe an account in a paper by Thomas olney senr of ye Disspossition of John Clawsons: Goodes, ...

" The Indenture of Daniell Comstock . .

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" The Bond of Joshua Winsor and James Ashton, as also the Award of Arbetration upon a defferance betweene ye sayd Winsor, and James Ashton, ...

" As alsoe seuerall papers wherein was the Comittys Act, to ye number of: 15: Delivered by mr. Williams to John Whipple the former Clerke

" As alsoe a roule of papers, being most of them bills, some of them being Answered and some of them reffered . . . . . .

" As also seuerall other papers. All the rest of the Towne Recordes not here perticularized with a linning Bagg in which they are In Closed .

. . . We whose names are here under subscribed, being impowered by an order of this Towne as before sayd, have this Twenty third day of August: 1678 Receiued of John Whipple Junr the former Towne Clerke, all the sayd Books, papers, parchments, and writeings herein before mentioned and perticularized, which belong to ye Towne, And Doe thereof in the Townes behalfe fully, clearely, and absolutely, Acquitt and Disscharge the sayd John Whipple Junr of and from all papers that Conscerne this Towne,

In wittness whereof wee doe here unto sett our handes the day and yeare aboue sayd: .

[Signed]

ROGER WILLIAMS

DANIELL ABBOTT Clerke-

Memorandom, the wordes Twenty Third were enterlined before these presents were Delivered as wittness our handes . . . .

[Signed]

ROGER WILLIAMS

DANIELL ABBOTT Clerke. .

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APPENDIX B.

An Acco^{t} continued of the Books of Records & Papers. on file found in ye Office of Richard Waterman Esqr Late Town Clerk of the Town of Providence Deceas.^{d} and D^{d} to Nich^{o} Tillinghast the present Town Clerk of said Town by Danl Abbott Esqr Elisha Brown Merch.^{t} and George Taylor Esqr a Committee appointd at a Town Meeting of S^{d}. Town Specially Called by Warrant: and held on Saturday the 26th April 1755. vizt

1 Town Old Book many of the Leaues schorcht and partly burnt

2 The Long Book parchment Couer with many leaues torn and partly lost

3 The Book with brass Clasps. sundry Leaues torn out and others Defaced

The Books of Deeds & Land Euidences N° 1 begun. 1677–

Do No 2 begun 1705. Do No 3 with a Loose platt therein begun 1717

Do 4 begun 1719 Do 5 begun 1720 Do No 6 .–1723

Do 7 begun 1725/6 Do 8 begun 1728/9 Do 9 1731

Do 10 begun 1735/6 Do small No 10 Do No 11 1741.

Do No 12 1746

a book with a blue paper Couer something shattered begun 1692

The Town Book of Acts and orders with a parchment Couer

Two Paper Schedules relating to Town Affairs somewhat shattered

Two Books & a shattered Schedule of Town Council affairs with sundry Loose papers in one of them

A Small Sticht Schedule of Town Meeting Affairs begun 1717/8

Book for Registring Marriages, Births &c

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Town Meeting Book with a Cloth Couer begun June 7. 1725 with some Loose papers in it pinn[d]

The Town Council book No 2 begun 1716. Do No 3 begun 1726

Do No 4. 1741 with a bundle of Coppys of Letters Administration

Do No 5 with Tho[s] Waterman's Will and Inuentory [Loose]

Do begun Aug[st] 1743. with sundry Loose papers therein

A small blue Couer[d] paper Schedule of Town Council Affairs

A Colony Law Book

A Draught of House Lotts at Pawtuxet made 1752

A Copy of the platt of Wesconaug Land

a plan & papers relating to the back Street, in Prouidence

A plan and papers of Pawtuxet Highway

A Deed of the Land where the Goal, and Courthouse Stands

Do of the Highway and Training Field

A Plan of Highway a Cross Watermans Marsh

A Plan of Highway from Power's Lane Southward

Schedules of the Acts of Assembly in Number . . 135

Ten Bundles of Mortgages Deeds of the seueral Banks

Eleuen Small Bundles Do of the Eighth Bank

Six Bundles Do of the Ninth Bank

One Book of Mortgage Deeds of the third Bank

seueral Loose Deeds of the Ninth Bank

Thomas Patey's Deed. and Sundry papers belonging to the same

Return of a Landing place at Ruttenburgh with Jnventory's and other papers in a bundle

Return of a Highway. Potters & Bakers

West Riuer, Thurbers Highway plan thereof. by Burrows Bridge so Called

Platt of a Thatch Bed and papers relating thereto Jos Brown & Co plan of the Road to Pawtuxet

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an Old Rate Bill
fiue Baggs of Old papers
1 Bundle Deeds. and returns of Highways
The Jury Box
Coppy of the Receipt giuen to the Committee
6 { x a bundle of Bonds
x a bundle of
x 2 Bundles of Jndentures }

APPENDIX C.

TOWN MEETING RECORDS.

BOOK 7, PAGE 371. JUNE 6, 1796.

RESOLVED: That Moses Brown, Zephaniah Andrews and Benjamin Reynolds be and they are hereby appointed a Committee for the purpose of examining the Town Records and ascertaining what Record Books it may be necessary. to cause to be transcribed, indexed or otherwise amended and that said Committee make Report of their Proceedings herein at the next Town Meeting.

APPENDIX D.

TOWN MEETING RECORDS.

BOOK 7, PAGE 375. JUNE 23, 1796.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed on the sixth Instant to examine the Town Records have submitted the following Report thereon to Wit –

Agreeable to Appointment We have examined the Antient Records in the Town Clerk's Office and it is our Opinion,

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that it is necessary the three first Books be transcribed in a Book or Books for the purpose and that an Index or Indexes be made to the same, and that several other Books appear to require Indexes to be made and some others to be amended: and it appears to us proper that a Committee be appointed to have the same done in the most legible Manner and to compare and see that the Transcripts be fairly and accurately made.

which is submitted by Moses Brown
Providence June 22d 1796 Zep^h Andrews
Benj^a Reynolds

And said Report being duly consider'd it is thereupon Resolved that the same be received and that Messrs Jabez Bowen, Moses Brown, Zephaniah Andrews, Benjamin Reynolds & the Town Clerk be and they hereby are appointed a Committee for the purpose of procuring such of the Town Records to be transcribed as have become defaced or illegible, that they procure suitable Blank Books for that purpose and agree with an Amanuensis on such Terms and Conditions as the Nature of his Service may require.

APPENDIX E.

PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL.

SEPTEMBER 11, 1865. BOOK 11, PAGE 297.

RESOLVED:—That Messrs. Coggeshall, Paine and Stone with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed to examine the condition of the early Records of the Town of Providence to the year 1800.

That said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to employ a suitable person to transcribe and print the same, and to take such other measures as may by them be deemed expedient, for a proper preservation of said Records.

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RESOLVED :– that the sum of five hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for this purpose to be paid from any monies not otherwise appropriated.

[Concurred & Alderman Barker added]

CITY COUNCIL AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

SEPTEMBER 11, 1865. JOURNAL 10, PAGE 161.

A Resolution appointing a joint special committee to cause the early Records of the town to be transcribed and printed came from Common Council.

Read and Concurred. Ald. Barker added.

CITY COUNCIL RECORDS.

SEPTEMBER 11, 1865. BOOK 5. PAGE 314.

No. 11.

RESOLVED :– That Messrs Coggeshall, Paine, and Stone, with Alderman Barker be and they are hereby appointed a committee to examine the condition of the early Records of the Town of Providence, to the year 1800: That said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to employ a suitable person to transcribe and print the same and to take such other measures as may by them be deemed expedient, for a proper preservation of said Records.

RESOLVED :– That the sum of five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for this purpose ; to be paid from any moneys not otherwise appropriated. Passed September 11, 1865.

[Returned by the Mayor to the Common Council, October 9, 1865, without approval.]

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APPENDIX F.

CITY COUNCIL RECORDS.

BOOK 5. PAGE 326.

No. 10.

RESOLVED: – That Messrs. Coggeshall, Thomas, Sweet and Harris with Alderman Barker be appointed a committee to examine the early records of the Town of Providence, prior to the year 1800, and to report what in their opinion, is the best manner of preserving the same and in case they may deem it expedient to have them printed, to report the probable expense thereof.

Passed November 13, 1865.

Approved the same day.

THOS. A. DOYLE, *Mayor.*

APPENDIX G.

IN CITY COUNCIL.

No. 219. Message of the Mayor relative to the First Book of Records of the Town of Providence.

[Presented May 19, 1881.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL,
May 19, 1881.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

A communication from the library committee of the Rhode Island Historical Society, a copy of which is herewith transmitted, calls attention to the condition of a most valuable relic of the early days of the town of Providence, the the loss of which would be greatly deplored by all.

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The damaged state of these records, the natural result of age and former usage, is such as to justify the desire of the Historical Society, that more than ordinary pains be taken to restore so far as possible, and preserve them for future generations. I therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

WILLIAM S. HAYWARD, *Mayor.*

COMMUNICATION.

PROVIDENCE, May 2, 1881.

TO HIS HONOR THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

SIR: The library committee of the Rhode Island Historical Society having recently learned of the condition of the earliest book of records of the town of Providence, feel it to be their duty to call your attention to its character and condition, and to state what in their judgment is necessary to be done in order to preserve it. This book contains, beside its records of titles and tranfers of real estate, the original agreement under which the second comers to the settlement joined the first proprietors and were by them admitted to become inhabitants. It was the establishment of a government, a pure democracy, wherein men bound themselves to be obedient to the majority of masters of families only in civil things. The entire separation of church from state was made, and perfect religious liberty guaranteed. This document, written by the hand of Roger Williams, the founder of this state, stands at the top of the first page of this book and bears the signatures of thirteen of the second comers.

As to its present condition, it is entirely removed from its binding, it now having no covers whatever. Its leaves are misplaced, ragged and torn. Its first and most valuable leaf is torn entirely asunder. The name of one of the signers has been torn apart, and is now illegible, and some words have been torn from the edges in sundry places.

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It has seemed to us that unless immediate measures are taken to preserve this unique and precious volume from further ruin, that it will soon be among the things of the past. Hereon Roger Williams, with his own hand, wrote the doctrine of religious liberty, a principle which has since become the corner-stone of every civilized government on earth, but which, when he wrote it, was a thing unknown to men. This, we say, deserves preservation at our hands.

Our remedy is, that each of these precious leaves be inlaid in paper of the strongest and most durable texture by a workman cunning in this art, of whom there are several in this country. Every irregular edge and every letter to be carefully preserved as now, and then that the volume be strongly, even elegantly bound. This can all be done without removing the volume from the city hall, where it now is, to be kept over night, and at a cost which is small as compared to the intrinsic worth of the precious relic.

Thus will be preserved to our remotest posterity this memento of the wisdom and foresight of our ancestors.

SIDNEY S. RIDER,
HORATIO ROGERS,
THOMAS DURFEE,
Library Committee Rhode Island Historical Society.

No. 220. Resolution relative to the First Book of Records of the Town of Providence.

[Approved June 7, 1881.]

RESOLVED, That the recorder of deeds be hereby authorized to cause the first volume of the records of the town of Providence to be suitably re-bound and the leaves to be inlaid in new paper, the expense to be paid from money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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APPENDIX H.

No. 352. Message of the Mayor relative to Printing the first four Records of the Town of Providence.

[Presented July 2, 1884.]

CITY OF PROVIDENCE,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL,
July 2, 1884.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

By a resolution of the city council, approved June 7, 1881, the recorder of deeds was authorized "to cause the first volume of the records of the town of Providence to be suitably re-bound and the leaves to be inlaid in new paper, the expense to be paid from money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated."

The work proposed in the resolution has never been accomplished, and very little progress has been made in regards to it. Some other course must be adopted in order to preserve the record contained, not only in the first book, but in three other books, two of which are in the office of the recorder of deeds, and one in the office of the clerk of the municipal court.

The work of preserving, by printing, the early records of Suffolk county, Massachusetts, has been for some time in progress, and I recommend that a similar course be pursued in regard to the first four books of the records of the town of Providence.

I therefore suggest that this matter, the importance of which to future generations can hardly be estimated, be referred to the committee on printing, to inquire into and report thereon.

THOMAS A. DOYLE, *Mayor.*

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No. 353. Resolution Instructing the Joint Committee on Printing to report upon the matter of Printing the first four Books of Records of the Town of Providence.

[Approved July 5, 1884.]

RESOLVED, That the joint committee on printing be and they are hereby instructed to inquire into the matter of printing the first four books of records of the town of Providence, with the probable cost thereof, and all matters connected therewith, and to report thereon to either branch of the city council.

APPENDIX I.

BOSTON, ... 189

TO THE RECORD COMMISSIONERS:

GENTLEMEN:

I hereby apply for the volumes of your Reports hitherto published, and ask to be put on the list for future issues.

Applicant, ...

Address, ...

BOSTON, ... 189

I hereby certify that I believe the above application should be granted.

. . . . . .

Member of City Council.

CITY HALL, ... 189

TO THE CITY MESSENGER:

DEAR SIR:

Please comply with the above request.

Yours very truly,

. . . . . .

For the Record Commissioners.

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1893.] CITY DOCUMENT. [No. 13.

SECOND REPORT

OF THE

RECORD COMMISSIONERS

RELATIVE TO THE

EARLY TOWN RECORDS.

[Presented January 30, 1893.]

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REPORT.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

Gentlemen: The Record Commissioners in their first report to your honorable body presented a brief review of the action taken by the town from time to time towards the preservation of its ancient records, wherein they expressed themselves as follows:

"The earliest effort in this direction was made Aug. 12, 1678, when Daniel Abbott was elected town clerk, to succeed John Whipple, Jr. At this time Roger Williams and Daniel Abbott were appointed a committee 'to take a list of what they received, and to give to ye sayd John Whipple a cleare and full discharge for the same.' This action was taken shortly after the Indian war [1675-76] when the town suffered so severely from its effects, and when the records passed through a severe ordeal."

When the Commissioners made that statement their investigation of original papers had not extended beyond those in the possession of the city; and the official list of books and papers, which is printed in Vol. 7, of the Collections of the Rhode Island Historical Society, at page 103, was taken to be the earliest reference to the collective records of the town, an inference encouraged by the fact that no earlier list

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was then known to be in existence. Since then, however, an examination by the Commissioners of the manuscripts in the custody of the Historical Society has resulted in most valuable and interesting revelations. In a volume of manuscripts, entitled "Papers Relating to Providence," at page 54, was found the record of a town meeting held April 27, 1676, at which it was "Voted ye Towne Books & Records (saved by Gods merifull Providence (from fire & water) now brought by him from Newport) should be in his hand a while & fower Men) who had bene Towne Clarks:) Tho: Olny jun Shadrach Manton John Whiple jun^r^, & John Smith Miller should view & search ye Papers, what is wanting or lost, & make report to ye Towne ye next quarter day."

Whether the committee appointed under this resolution ever reported is not positively known, but it is presumed that it did not, for in the same volume, at page 28, is "A List of Papers deliuered to John Whiple jun^r^ chosen Towne Clark by Roger Willjams former Town Clark" dated "Pro: 4 4. 77 so cald" (being an abbreviation of Providence, June 4, 1677, for it will be remembered that at that time March was the first month of the year,) *post*, Appendix A, and on page 29 of the same volume appears a report made October 27, 1677, by a committee appointed on that same fourth day of June, the heading of which report best indicates the character and purpose of the committee making it. The report begins in this wise: "ffor as much as the Towne of prouidence did at a Towne meting of Election held upon the 4th. day of June 1677 order and Appoynt Capt Arthur ffenner and John Whipple Junr: to vewe all the Books and

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writings which belong to ye sd Towne now in the hands of the s^d ffenner, and to see in what Condito they are and to take a list of them, they both Signeing to the sayd list: The which we have done as ffollow-eth, Viz^lt"

The report, which is quite minute and is full of interest, together with the list just referred to in this connection, is printed in full, *post*, Appendix B.

There has also come to light in the same volume, page 88, a list of books and papers transferred June 6, 1758, from Nicholas Tillinghast, late town clerk, to James Angell, then town clerk, by a committee appointed for that purpose, and which list may be found *post*, Appendix C. These lists are valuable in tracing the various records now remaining, and in aiding to determine the time when those now missing were lost.

The first report presented by this Commission to your honorable body relative to the records of the Town of Providence, dealt particularly with the record books now remaining in the custody of the several departments of the city. In connection with these, however, the Commissioners stated: "In addition to the books of record there are stored in cupboards in a room in the City Hall a large number of papers and documents, tied up in bundles and partly classified, dating back as far as 1678. These papers contain information of great value, which would be gladly welcomed by our citizens, could they be privileged to examine their contents. Included in these papers are depositions, indentures, documents relating to the Revolutionary War, tax lists, a mass of records relating to the colonial monetary system, and many

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other varieties of records too numerous to particularize." With the appropriation made by the City Council for the continuation of the printing and collecting the early records of Providence, the Commissioners have been enabled to devote some attention to these papers. It is to be regretted that attention could not have been turned in this direction years ago, for without doubt many valuable writings have been lost for lack of care.

These papers are the original documents concerning the business transacted by the town, and it is fortunate, considering the vicissitudes through which they have passed, that so many have been preserved. It is reasonable to believe that with almost the first gathering of the early settlers in town meeting there must have been more or less petitions, bills and other writings, presented for consideration; but from the founding of Providence in 1636, down to the year 1675, no papers or documents, other than record books, relating to town affairs are to be found in the possession of the city, It was in this latter year that the Indian War occurred, and the preservation of the record books and some few other writings during that troublous period was accomplished with difficulty. The earliest paper in date found by the Commissioners in the collection is a particularly important one, it bearing date during the year in which Staples says that Roger Williams was Town Clerk, and on it appears his signature in that capacity. It is the only writing of any character in the possession of the city, to which his name is attached officially as Town Clerk.

Very few papers bearing date prior to the middle

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of the eighteenth century remain, and it is not until the years succeeding the Revolutionary War that any considerable number have been found.

Reference has already been made to the devastating effect of the Indian War of 1675 upon the records and documentary possessions of the town, and the danger to which they were exposed during the Revolution is evidenced by papers that have been preserved, wherein it appears that in December, 1776, the records were gathered together and transported to the home of Col. John Waterman, in Johnston, by Amos Chaffe, where they remained "near two years" before they were returned to the town. The removal to Johnston was made by order of the Governor when the British army occupied a portion of the colony. See *post*, Appendix D.

Previous to the erection of the market house in 1773, there was no regular depository for the records of the town, and they were kept in the store or house of the Town Clerk for the time being. It was not until the latter part of the eighteenth century that even a Town Clerk's office was provided by the town for the deposit of its records and the dispatch of its business.

Work on the market house was begun May 24, 1773, and upon its completion a Town Clerk's office was regularly established there, Theodore Foster, who was Town Clerk from 1775 to 1787, being the first occupant of the new quarters. In that building, as originally constructed and as subsequently altered, the records of town and city remained for more than a century, accumulating year by year; the older documents as crowded out by more recent ones being stored in the attic, sometimes packed away in cup-

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boards and on shelves, and sometimes scattered loosely and carelessly about the floor, neglected, forgotten, and inaccessible for ready reference. In 1878, when the present City Hall was ready for occupancy, these old papers were gathered together in boxes and stored away in cupboards, in a room on the upper floor of that building.

The most cursory examination makes it painfully apparent that very many documents of inestimable value must have been lost or destroyed, and it is not much to be wondered at when one considers the usage they received and the neglect they suffered, an illustration of which is afforded by the fact that when the Commissioners assumed charge of them a muster roll, of Col. Israel Angell's Second Rhode Island Regiment in the Revolution, containing the names of upwards of two hundred and fifty soldiers, was found doing duty as a wrapper for a bundle of well-nigh useless papers.

The following extract from the Fourth Report of Robert T. Swan, Esq., Record Commissioner of Massachusetts, "on the Custody and Condition of the Public Records," is little less applicable in its general features if not in its details, to the towns and cities of Rhode Island than to those of our adjoining commonwealth. He says: "During the high price of paper in the late war many public papers were sent to the paper mills, some going directly from public offices. At that time an agent for persons in England made a tour of the towns within a radius of ten or fifteen miles of Fitchburg, and bought all the old papers which could be obtained from any source. These were carried to Fitchburg, and such as were wanted

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were preserved and probably sent to England; the others, which aggregated many tons, were sent to the mills."

"In view of the fact that the selling of papers was so general, and that provision for the safety of the files had seldom been made, it is surprising to find in some cities and towns so many which have been preserved. Occasionally these are bundled up and labelled, and very occasionally kept in vaults; but more often they are in old chests or trunks, which contain also some old record books, and until very recently contained all. Among these papers are valuation lists, unrecorded reports of committees, maps, plans, etc., of a value which cannot be estimated until they are needed." * * * *

"Occasionally a town has realized the importance of its records and papers and has authorized some one to put them in order. In 1842, Lewis Bradford, who had been for many years town clerk of Plympton, by vote of the town, put in order all the records and papers which could be found. He made an index of them at the time, and in one book containing tax-lists made the following note, the concluding part of which holds good to-day: 'The Assessors might have sewed their pamphlets of Assessments with twine, and yearly fastened them together as in this Book; and in that way their assessments might have been preserved in good order, and been much less liable to embezzlement. Some town officers are Do for the Present persons, or Do littles and do so little that in after times some of their doings are rather unintelligible.' "

"A few towns are by special vote now having papers

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examined and arranged, and have collected from private sources public papers of value." * * *

"The temptation to retain papers belonging in public custody, or to pilfer from the files in the public offices, is increased by the auction sales, where papers, which are the property of the State or of cities and towns, are boldly advertised and sold. At a sale in New York, in 1876, a record of births in Middleborough, from 1714 to 1730, and some of the records, of the treasurer of Hanover, were sold. Fifty-three pages of the record of the trial of Hugh Parsons of Springfield, on a charge of witchcraft, before Mr. Pynchon, said to have been torn from the records, were sold at the same sale. A large collection of papers advertised as 'Official Papers of the Provincial Congress of Massachusetts at the most interesting and important portion of its deliberations,— the period preceding Lexington and Bunker Hill,' were advertised to be sold in Boston, but were replevined by the Commonwealth. At the first sale of the Leffingwell collection of papers, recently held in Boston, the city of Boston purchased forty-four lots at a cost of nearly one thousand dollars, nearly every one of which was once the property of the city. At the second sale, fifty-two lots of papers belonging to the Commonwealth were sold. It may be that, to secure such papers that are out of proper custody, there is no remedy except to purchase them; but more stringent measures should be taken to prevent the loss of others, and the penalty attached to the offence should be sufficient to act as a menace."

It is not unreasonable to believe that these same conditions have surrounded the records of the town

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of Providence, and that many valuable papers and documents have been abstracted from the files or have been destroyed as valueless. The following quotation from the "Magazine of New England History," for January, 1892, affords an apt illustration of the dangers from purloiners to which public records are subject:

"About twenty years ago, the officials of Gorham, Maine, discovered that the first volume, containing the earliest records, 1764 to 1815, was missing. Every effort was made by individual search, and the town offered a liberal reward for the return of the lost records, but without success. Recently the volume was returned. The simple fact that it came from Boston is all that is known of its recovery. With the missing volume came two others, containing records of marriages, births and deaths of the town from 1764 to 1822. It is not stated that the loss of the last-mentioned volume was known, but it certainly shows carelessness on the part of some one. It is hoped that all of our New England towns will provide means for printing their old records and thus prevent the loss which sooner or later overtakes uncared for papers of this class."

The papers still remaining are often of great value in ascertaining the circumstances which surround certain recorded acts of the town, and in many cases they are the only evidences found of important occurrences.

An interesting illustration of this in connection with the will of William Harris, is introduced here, to show the condition under which that instrument was admitted to probate, and as an example of the quaint and simple style of expression of the times.

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The will of William Harris was preferred for probate January 24, 1681, [Will Book 1, page 23] and beyond the fact that "it being demanded of Andrew Harris whether he would accept of his exsecutorshipp & execute his fathers will according as his father appoynted in his will, the said Andrew his answer was, that he will not meddle at all with any of his ffathers estate as executor", there is no recorded evidence that the will awakened any more dissatisfaction than might be inferred from this refusal; but an original document, *post*, Appendix E, now just brought to light, gives an insight into the family relations and will be of interest to those who have made a study of this prominent figure in the early days of the colony.

The Commissioners having made a personal examination of these old papers referred to, decided to enter at once upon a systematic method of putting them in such order and condition as would insure their preservation and accessibility for practical use. They also caused the attic or upper part of the old city, or market, building to be thoroughly examined, to see if by any chance any papers or documents still remained, and in this work they were kindly assisted by Mr. Freeman P. Little, Secretary of the Board of Trade, which board are the present lessees of the building; but, beyond a few valueless scraps, nothing was found. In entering upon the work of repairing these papers and putting them in the best possible condition for use and preservation, the Commissioners were fortunate in having the assistance of John Noble, Esq., Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court of Suffolk County, Massachusetts, and of William P. Upham,

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Esq., attorney-at-law, of Newtonville, Massachusetts, under whose supervision upwards of 250,000 papers have been treated for the City of Boston, for which purpose the sum of thirty thousand dollars has been appropriated by that municipality.

These gentlemen made it possible for the Commissioners to secure the services of Miss Lizzie H. Goldthwaite, of Danvers, Massachusetts, an expert in the delicate work of repairing old documents, so that the Commissioners were enabled to embark in the work with all the knowledge and skill that years of experience had effected. It is proposed that the first series of papers shall include all from the earliest period down to the close of the year 1799, with the exception of records of Justices' Courts.

The papers are being arranged chronologically, and where more than one date appears the latest is invariably taken as the date of the paper. As they have been folded up and so remained for many years, a large portion of them are much worn in the creases and otherwise dilapidated. Each paper is carefully repaired, pressed, stamped as the property of the city, and finally mounted in large books made specially for the purpose, so that they can be most conveniently used by those having occasion to refer to them with the least possible wear or injury to the papers themselves. Unfortunately, valuable manuscripts present to many persons a peculiar temptation to pilfer them, and so the commissioners, in order to preserve these documents, have had a small and neat stamp made with which each paper is impressed, showing it to be the property of the city, and offering ready means of

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identification. The stamp is so small as to cause no disfigurement, and it is believed will prove an effectual safeguard against larceny. At the end of each book is a certificate giving a general statement of the papers contained therein, signed by the Commissioners.

In the preparation of these papers thus far, the time of two assistants has been given entirely to this work, while that of one assistant has been devoted to it for about four months.

It is estimated that this series will contain upwards of 15,000 papers, and to make them as available as possible it is proposed to thoroughly index the volumes so that the contents thereof may be easily ascertainable, and already much progress has been made in this work.

That the collection includes papers of great value and throws light on many interesting events in the history of the town, will appear from the statement that among them are found papers relating to the yellow fever epidemic, the small-pox epidemics, the building of the market house, the binding of apprentices, enlistments and the purchase of arms, the building of fortifications and beacon, the payment of bounties during the Revolutionary War, and bills on account of the poor of the town.

In pursuing investigation relative to the ancient records, the Commissioners have examined several volumes of manuscripts in the collections of the Rhode Island Historical Society, and have found many writings which doubtless were once the property of the town. Indeed a number of pages of the records of the Town Meetings are there preserved, which would fill gaps occurring in the volumes now

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in the city's possession. These papers are a part of the "Foster Papers," so called, and "Rhode Island Manuscripts." Included in the Society's collections are three pages of the "First Book of the Town of Providence," two of which do not appear in the printed copy of that book, and one of which contains a brief reference to a meeting of the early settlers held "third month 13 die, 1639." These pages have been printed in the appendix to the second volume of the Early Records.

The Library Committee of the Historical Society has afforded all possible aid to the Commissioners in permitting them to have the use of the books of manuscripts for examination and for the purpose of making abstracts therefrom, in which work the Hon. Amos Perry, Secretary and Librarian of the Society, has materially assisted.

The student of Rhode Island history cannot fail to find new and interesting fields for investigation in these papers, as the manner in which they have been stored away for so many years has made the information contained in them hitherto unavailable.

As before stated, the series of papers which the Commissioners are now engaged in arranging, terminates with the year 1799, and includes but a small part of those still stored away in the cupboards on the upper floor of the City Hall, from which this first series is made up, and it would be wise to continue the work of classifying and arranging to all papers prior to the date of the incorporation of the city in 1832, since which time the records have been carefully kept. The city then will have all the books, papers and documents connected with its growth and

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development permanently and satisfactorily preserved. It is difficult to determine how many papers are included in that period, but the economical expenditure of any reasonable amount for this purpose would be wise and judicious.

It is gratifying to know that an interest in the public records not only in this city but also throughout the whole state, has been stimulated by the work which the City Council has authorized and so liberally provided for, and the continuation of the work will place this city on an equal footing with the progressive cities of the country which have already seen the importance of similar work.

It is with pleasure that the Commissioners are able to report that Mr. Howard Redwood Guild, of this city, has deposited with the Commissioners as the property of the city, three hundred and sixty-five manuscripts bearing date from 1684 to 1828. These papers are of peculiar interest from the fact that many of them are original documents from which the Proprietors' Records, so called, were made up, which were destroyed a few years ago in the Aldrich House fire. Included, also, among this collection are many original documents relating to the lay-out of highways, returns of land laid out by the proprietors, returns and accounts of the Deputy Wagon Master General of the Providence Brigade at the battle and operations on Rhode Island, in 1778, warrants, depositions, marriage certificates, bonds, inventories, wills, letters, &c.

The whole forms a valuable addition to the documentary possessions of the municipality.

Since the completion of the first volume of the

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printed records, the Commissioners have received many commendatory letters from societies and scholars emphasizing the value and importance of the work now in process by the city.

The second volume of the Early Records of the Town of Providence, herewith submitted, is one of peculiar interest. It contains the records of the earliest Town Meetings and Quarter Courts, and throws much light on the customs and conditions of the times. The "Progress of Laws," contained in this volume, presents the earlier forms of court proceedings in civil matters in this jurisdiction, and must prove of great interest to all students of jurisprudence. This volume has been known at different times as "The Book with Brass Clasps," "Short Old Book which once had brass Clasps," "The Towne Old Book," "The Short Old Book," "The Second Book Town of Providence," and "The Old Burnt Book," the latter name being derived from the fact that there are many of the "Leaues scorcht and partly burnt," from the effects of the fire which destroyed a part of the town in 1676. The earliest reference to the book, which has been found, is October, 1677, where it is stated that it now contains "70: leaves and one nott wrott upon, soe there is wanting: 65: leaves, the Book being much defaced." Its original arrangement has been lost, and the leaves as they are now arranged are confusing and misleading, it being extremely doubtful if the original arrangement of the book can ever be accurately determined. The Commissioners, however, have considered it a part of their duty to correct, as far as possible, the derange ment of the pages which has occurred. It was

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discovered, after careful examination, that the book had been used for two distinct purposes; first, for the entry of land transfers and for the recording of instruments, such as indentures, notice of stray horses, records of liquors received in the town, and other matters requiring to be recorded; and secondly for the minutes of Town Meetings, Courts of Election, and Quarter Courts. By making a table of the different dates on which these various meetings were held, and indicating the page on which the record was found, it became apparent that the leaves had, except in some few instances, been exactly reversed, and that when requiring rebinding instead of the pages being sewed or fastened to the covers by the edges, by which they now are, the opposite edges should have been used for that purpose.

This mistake was evidently committed before the transcript of 1800 was made as the same general confusion is found in that volume that appears in the original as now bound, with the exception that the copyist at that time attempted to correct the trouble on no settled plan, whereby his copy is more confused and misleading even than the original as now bound. The pages used for the first purpose or for the miscellaneous records, were placed in such order as the nature of the records would seem to justify and comprise the first forty pages. As these entries were not necessarily made in the order in which the instruments were executed, and as the time of recording them was not always noted bythe recording officer, an apparent confusion of dates appears. The Commissioners believe that the pages as now arranged in the printed volume approach as near to the original order as can be effected.

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Through the kindness of Mr. Alfred Metcalf, executor of the will of the late Henry J. Steere, the Commissioners have been able to include in the printed volume a fac-simile of the compact of the twenty-five acre purchasers, as it appears upon the pages of the original book. In addition to the general interest this fac-simile will excite on account of the importance of its subject matter, it is interesting as presenting a good example of the chirography of the times prevailing throughout this volume and which it has been necessary to interpret and transcribe.

By resolution of the City Council No. 351, approved July 1, 1892, an appropriation of six hundred dollars was allowed the Commissioners in addition to the appropriation made on April 2, 1892, which appropriation was made with the understanding that an additional number of the First Volume of the Early Records of Providence should be printed. In issuing the first volume, the amount of the appropriation at the disposal of the Commissioners would allow them to print but 500 copies. The great interest taken in the work, caused this number to become exhausted within two months of the time it was ready for distribution, and many persons who desired copies were unable to obtain them. With this additional appropriation, the Commissioners have printed 500 copies and have made the edition of the present volume to correspond with the first, namely, 1000 copies.

In this work which the Commissioners have accomplished, they have been ably assisted by Miss Huldah D. Sheldon who has prepared the copy used in printing, and has had general oversight of the office work; and by Miss A. Josephine Torrey, and Miss S. Fran-

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ces Rathbun who have prepared the manuscripts for preservation.

The Commissioners herewith submit a statement of expenditures made since their last report.

FOR PRESERVING TOWN PAPERS.

Classifying, repairing and mounting "Providence Town Papers," . . .	$611 00
C. W. Jenckes & Bro., paper boxes, .	9 08
Eastern Advertising Co., envelopes, . .	6 10
R. L. Greene, paper for repairing, . .	17 40
Starkweather Williams & Co., scissors, brushes &c., ...	6 26
Charles B. Botsford & Co., paper for repairing, ...	3 50
William Millen, cups, &c., . . .	63
A. J. Woodbury & Co., transparent paper,	10 00
L. H. Goldthwaite, special services, .	60 00
W. H. Claflin & Co., drying paper, . .	11 70
Akerman Co., 50 books for papers, . .	105 80
A. A. White & Co., rubber stamp, . .	75
Anthony, Cowell & Co., two pine bureaus,	6 50
Library Bureau, cards for index, . .	12 60
Edward Field, miscellaneous expenses, .	11 60
Akerman Co., binding old records, . .	11 40
Henry B. Bennett, case for card index, .	39 69
Akerman Co., folios, ...	5 25
	$929 26

FOR PRINTING TOWN RECORDS.

Snow & Farnham for printing 1000 copies Vol. 2 and electrotype plates for same	$765 60

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Akerman Co., for binding and wrapping Vol. 2, ...		$181 25
Transcribing Vol. A, Third Book Town of Providence, ...		257 50
Clerical assistance, ...		190 00
G. H. Richter & Co., type writer supplies		75
Snow & Farnham, printing, ...		11 70
Library Bureau, index cards, ...		7 40
Bugbee, Thompson Co., office supplies, .		22 01
Akerman Co., wrapping Vol. 1, [500 copies]		1 75
G. H. Richter & Co., type writing machine,		30 00
Snow & Farnham, printing 500 copies 1st Vol., ...		116 95
H. D. Sheldon, miscellaneous expenses, .		4 64
Akerman Co., binding and wrapping 500 copies 1st Vol. [printed wrappers.] .		80 25
		$1,669 80
Total amount for both purposes,		2,599 06
Balance from former report,	$29 09	
Amount of appropriation April 2, 1892, ...	1,500 00	
Amount of appropriation July 1, 1892, ...	600 00	
Amount of appropriation November 16, 1892, . .	4,000 00	6,129 09
Amount of expenditures,		2,599 06
Balance on hand,		$3,530 03

Respectfully submitted,

HORATIO ROGERS,
G. M. CARPENTER,
EDWARD FIELD,
Record Commissioners.

January 30, 1893.

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APPENDIX A.

Rhode Island Historical Society Manuscripts. Papers Relating to Providence. 1643-1793. Page 28.

Pro: 4 4. 77 'so cald'	A List of Papers deliuered to John Whiple jun^r chosen Town Clark by Roger Willjams former Town Clark.

1 Towne Meetings Votes & Orders
2 Committees Order about Jndjans
3 Generall Record about Probate of Wjlls
4 A Will for Resolued Waterman
5 A Will for Hen: Wright
6 H. Wrights Jnventorie
7 Leonard Smiths Will
8 Proclamation ag^nst Bacon &c
9 A Will for James Olny
10 Apprizal of John Smiths Estate
11 Tho: Olny jun^r his Letter to ye Council
12 Tho: Olny Senr his dispose of J. Olnys Estate
13 A bond from Jos: Smith
14 Administration to Jos: Smith
15 James Olnys debto^rs

[ENDORSEMENT]

An Coppie
what papors
m^r Roger
Williams
Delivered
vp to y^e : Towne

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APPENDIX B.

Rhode Island Historical Society Manuscripts. Papers Relating to Providence 1643-1793. Page 29.

ffor as much as the Towne of prouidence did at a Towne meting of Election held upon the 4th. day of June 1677 order and Appoynt Capt Arthur ffenner and John Whipple Jvnr : to vewe all the Books and writings which belong to ye sd Towne now in the hands of the sd ffenner, and to see in what Condito they are and to take a list of them, they both Signeing to the sayd list: The which we have done as ffolloweth, Vizlt

Jt The Towne old Book, now Containeing of 70: leaves and one nott wrott upon, soe there is wanting: 65: leaves, the Book being much defaced,

Jt The longe Book with parchments Covers Cheifely Consistin of records of Deedes is of Lands, now Containeing of: 69: leaves, and 7 peces of leavs all wrott vpon. besides two leaves pinned to an other soe there is twenty leaves wanting. .

Jt The new Book with Brass Clapes, Containeing of: 164: pages wrott upon, besides fower leaves wrott upon which are not paged, as also: 18: leaves wrott upon at that End of the Book where the Alphabett is: soe there is one leave wanting that wass wrott upon, ...

Jt The little Book with parchment Covers wherein was the Entry of actions, is wanting: . .

Jt papors of Gennerall Assemblys Acts to the number of: 23: Each of them haveing the seale of the

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Colloney Affixed, the seales being all of them in good Condition not defaced, Saveing only one, which is an Assemblys Acts bereing date may the 4th : 1669 : soe that there is to the number of soe many wanting as haue came to the Towne since Jon : Whipple Jvnr delivered vp ye Book .

Jt one papor of the Gene : Covnsells acts with the seale of the Collony afixed : is wanting : .

Jt A papor of william Harris put into the Towne at a Towne meetng Janvarey the : 27th : 1670 Containing the accovnt of a rate or Rates, is wantin and nott to be fovnd, ...

Jt A Small papor Book Containing the Enrolements of wills : . . . . . .

Jt Covrts Acts Sewed to geather, in the manner of 2th : Books, as also Severall Courts acts made vp in rovles to the nvmber of 18, with noe seales affixed, there being other Covrts acts Sewed up in the manner of a Book which is wanting, .

Jt Severall Coppies of william ffeilds : and william Carpenters papors, ...

Jt A Deed of Gift from Richard waterman to his Grand Children the Chilldren of Resolved waterman, Deceased, ...

Jt The will and Jnventory of Zachary Roads Deceased, wanting. . . . . .

Jt The Towne Covnsells will vpon the Esstate of Samvell Comstock : deceased is wanting .

Jt The Towne Covnsells will and Jnventory upon the Esstate of George Rikerds, is wanting .

Jt The Bond from George Kindrick, to the Towne Covnsell of providence, is wanting . .

Jt The will and Jnventory of william ffeild, Deceased : is wanting . . . .

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Jt The Acts of the Towne Covnsell the: 4th: of Aprill: 1670: is wanting, ...

Jt The letter of Administration from the Towne Counsell to mary Mawrey with Six seales affixed, is wanting. . . . . .

Jt The Bond from Mary Mawrey to the Towne Covnsell bearing date the 9th: day of September: j669: with her Seale affixed, is wanting .

Jt The old Deede called the Towne Evidence .

Jt The Deed of Confirmeation from Cussvckqunsh, and Nenekelah with Richard Smith junr tesstemony pinned there to. . . . . .

Jt The Deed of Confirmation from SCattupp, & Quéquágónvett. . . . . .

Jt The Deed of Confirmation from Cavjanaquant, being also Subscribed Aiaquaomitt. The 3th: Deedes of Confirmation being all indorssed with tesstemonys on the Back Sides, . . .

Jt The Deed in parchment from mr Roger williams to the Towne of prouidence, . . .

Jt Eleaven papors from severall Jndians of Resignements: of Claimes, as from wamsittow, Alias Alexander, phillip: woottiation, wessavmavge, Antionitt, Tom of wachamokett, and others, all wanting . . . . . .

Jt The will & Jnventorey of Joshva ffoote Deceased, is wanting . . . . . .

Jt The Jnventory of the Esstate of John Clawson, As also an accovnt in a papor by Thomas olney senr of the disspossition of John Clawsons goods;

Jt The Bond of Joshva winsor, & James Ashton, As also the Award of Arbetration upon a defferance betwene ye sd winsor, and James Ashton,

Jt The Jndenture of Daniell Comstock; . .

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Jt As also severall other papors, the rest of the Towne Records nott, perticvlerized, [now remaining] with a linning Bagg in which they are in Clossed,

Jt memorll
a papor signed william Harris beareing date ye 15th : of Decemr : 1669 : Jndorssed on ye back sid, A protest against Dexters plaister, is wanting The will and Jnventory of Thomas walling [deceased, wanting, ...
prouidence
october the : 27th : 1677 :

Arthur ffenner
John Whipple Junr :

APPENDIX C.

Rhode Island Historical Society Manuscripts. Papers Relating to Providence 1643-1793. Page 88.

A List of Books of Records, & Papers of public Concerns, Received of Mr Nicholas Tillinghast late Town Clerk of the Town of Providence, And delivered to Mr James Angell the present Town Clerk, of sd Town by Messrs Danl Abbott, Elisha Brown, & George Taylor, a Comttee appointed for that Purpose, at a Town Meeting held in sd Providence, on the 6thDay of June A D : 1758 vizt

Town old Book with many Leaves Schorchd & partly burnd'

The long Book Parchment Cover, many Leaves torn, & partly lost

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The Book with Brass Clasps, some Leaves torn out some Defaced
The Book of Land Evidences No 1
The Book of do 2
The Book of do 3
The Book of do 4
The Book of do 5
The Book of do 6
The Book of do 7
The Book of do 8
The Book of do 9
The Book of do 10
The small Book do with painted Cover 10
The Book of do 11
The Book of do 12
The Book of do 13
The Book of do 14
The Book of do 15
Book with a blue Paper Cover some what Shattered began 1692
Book of Town Acts & Orders with a Parchment Cover
Two Schedules of Town Affairs somewhat Shattered
Two Books, & Shattered Schedule of Town Council Affairs
A small Stiled Schedule of Town Meeting Affairs began 1717/8
Book for registring Marriages & Births
Town Meeting Book with a Cloth Cover began 1725
Two Colony Law Books & a printed Schedule
The Town Council Book No 2
The Town Council Book 3
The Town Council Book 4
The Town Council Book 5
The Town Council Book 6
Small Schedule covered wth blue Paper of Town Council Affairs

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Book for Proceeding at Tn Meetings to ye year 1755 Parchment Cover

Plan of the House Lotts at Patuxit Made 1752

Plan of Westconaug Lands

Plan & Papers relating to the New Street in Providence

Plan & Papers of Patuxit Highway

Plan of Highway across Waterman's Marsh

Plan of Highway from Power's Lane Southward

Plan of Highway at Burrow's Bridge & Papers Appendent

Plan of Thatch bed of Joseph Brown & Papers relating

Plan of the Road to Patuxit

Return of a Highway, Potter's & Baker's

Returns of a Landing Place at Ruttenburge's

Deed of Thomas Patey & Papers thereto appertaining

Deed of Land where the Courthouse & Goal Stand

Deed of Highway & Training Field

Schedules of Acts of Assembly to the Year 1758

11: Bundles of Copies of Mortgage Deed of Sundry Banks

17: Bundles do of the Eighth & Ninth Banks

5: Bags of old Papers

Book for Registering Stray Cattle &c

Eight Rate Bills

Plan of Lotts laid in Willm Tillinghast's Land

Deeds & Papers of Solomon Pain & Jos: Hopkins Affairs

4: Plans of Highways vizt: Stamper's Hill &c Bundled

3: Bundles of Letters of Administration & relative Bonds

1: Do of Accounts of Administration

1: do of Guardianship

2 do Indentures

1: do Licence Bonds

1: do Certificates from Several Town

Six Bundles of Mixed Papers

Twenty Eight Deeds not recorded

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in Providence the Tenth Day of June A. D: 1758
Received of Messrs Daniel Abbott, Elisha Brown & George Taylor, the Comttee first aforenamed, all the Books & Papers enumerated & entered on the on the foregoing Pages of this Sheet
As Witness my Hand
James Angell Town Clerk

APPENDIX D.

Providence Town Papers.

VOLUME 3, PAGE 127. No. 1230.

At a Town Meeting of the Town of Providence held on the 16: th Day of May AD 1777
It was Voted and Ordered that Twelve Shillings lawful Money be paid to Amos Chaffee of Providence out of the Town Treasury for removing the Town Records to Johnston by Warrant from the Governor . . . . upon the Alarm in December last
Witness Theodore Foster Town Clerk
To Mr. James Arnold Town Treasurer

Providence Town Papers.

VOLUME 3, PAGE 128. No 1231.

The Town of Providence debt
To Carting a Load of the Records of Infr Court & the Records of this Town from the Town to Col John Watermans in Johnstone about six or Seven Miles £1-16-0

Providence Dec.mr ye 9th Ad 1776 { Amos Chaffe

Voted that 12/ out of the Town Treasury
of the above May. 16. 177

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Providence Town Papers.

VOLUME 4, PAGE 104. No. 1620.

The Town of Providence

1779 To John Waterman Dr

Feby 12th To my Time and Service in Removing the Town Records from Providence to My House: keeping the Records at my House near Two Years: and bringing them Back to Providence } £7,, 10,, 0

John Waterman Ju

At a Meeting of the Freemen of the Town of Providence on the 1st Day of March A. D. 1779

Resolved That Seven Pounds and Ten Shillings the Amount of the above Account be paid to the said John Waterman and the Town Treasurer is Requested to pay the same accordingly

Witness Theodore Foster, Town Clerk

£7 . . 10 . . 0

To James Arnold Esq. Town Treasurer

[ENDORSEMENT]

March 10 1779 Recd the within
John Waterman Jr

APPENDIX E.

Providence Town Papers.

VOLUME 1, PAGE 8. No. 14.

vpon ye 10th day of Januarey in ye yeare 1681 Andrew Harris Coming to ye Dwell place of Susanna Harris Tho:

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Olney Junr: then by order of ye said Sussana Harris, & Howlong Harris did on both there behalfes inform the said Andrew Harris that his Mother, to witt the Saide Susanna Harris had from m^{r} Brinley Received his ffather [to witt] william Harris his will & therefore had sent for him that so he might heare ye Same Read & also as hee was a Joynt Exsecutor with them that they joyntly together might Endeavour to settle the Estate, his answer was, that hee had heard y^{t} before now, & knew what was in it, & he Should heare it againe on time or another lett them doe what ye Could. Jt was replye^{d} unto him that there was nobody did obstruct him now but did Earnestly desire that he that he would now heare it read againe; the Super Scription being then Read unto him, which was, that his Mother & his sister howlong Should Keepe ye will until it Could be Comitted to m^{r} Brinley, his answer was lett them Keepe them if ye will & so turned away & went out of doors Refuesing to heare it further, he then was desired as hee was a Joynt Exsecutor with his mother & Sister to joyne with them & take an Enventory of ye Estate, his ans: was that he would not Medle with it nor have any thing to doe with them in y^{t} Matter & So he sayd he bid them farwell, gitting up upon his horse Rod away

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REPORT.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Gentlemen:—The Record Commissioners herewith submit the fourth of the printed volumes of the Early Records of the Town of Providence, it being a continuation of the records contained in the Third Book Town of Providence, A and B, otherwise called "The Book with Brass Clasps."

In this book the records of town meetings and of the town council terminate and an hiatus of seventeen years occurs in the records of such meetings in the immediate custody of the city.

Through the instrumentality of Charles E. Paine, Esq., for many years City Engineer, the attention of the Commissioners has been directed to two resolutions of the City Council, which originated in the Board of Aldermen.

As originally introduced they passed the Aldermen February 10, 1845, and were as follows:

"Resolved, That the Mayor be requested cause the deed of Cananicus and Miantinomo to Roger Williams, dated 24th of 1st mo. 2 year of our plantation; the deed of Roger Williams to the first settlers, dated the 8th of the 8 month, 1638; the deed of Roger Williams to the first settlers, dated 20th of December, 1661; and the charter to the Town of Providence, dated March, 1648, to be framed under or between glass, and hung up in the City Clerk's office.

Resolved, That the Mayor be requested cause the residue of the old papers in the City Clerk's office that have usually been kept in bags, with such other loose ones as are

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about his office and of no present use or value to the city, to be transferred to the Rhode Island Historical Society, upon the Society's giving a receipt and promising to return such papers as shall be specified in it on request."

When these resolutions reached the Common Council, they were referred to the Committee on City Property, which committee subsequently submitted the following report:

"To the Honorable City Council of the City of Providence:

The undersigned Committee on City Property, to whom was referred certain resolutions from the Board of Aldermen, the first resolution respecting the old Indian Deeds to Roger Williams, the second relating to the loose papers in the City Clerk's office, would respectfully report that they have examined the said deeds and find them in a good state of preservation, considering their great age. It is, therefore, their opinion that it is inexpedient for the Council to concur in the first resolution, as they doubt the propriety of putting the deeds under glass to be hung in the City Clerk's office, as they fear the effect of the light would be to fade the ink entirely out; they, therefore, recommend that the City Clerk be directed to procure a box to put the said deeds in, and to be kept in the same form that they now are, and think they would be much better preserved than in the manner proposed by the resolution. In regard to the second resolution, they would recommend that the Council concur, and that the loose papers in the Clerk's office be delivered to the Historical Society as there provided.

James T. Rhodes,
Phinneas Potter,
Daniel E. Carpenter."

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On March 10, 1845, the Common Council concurred with the Board of Aldermen with the following amendments, viz: striking out the words "framed under or between glass and hung up in the City Clerk's office" in the first resolution, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "placed in a suitable box for their better preservation."

Some time between the tenth day of May, 1845, and the twenty-first day of July, 1846, the exact date cannot now be ascertained, the papers referred to were deposited with the Historical Society; and at a meeting of the society on the twenty-first day of July, 1846, the Hon. Albert G. Greene, in the words of the Society's resolution, "was appointed to collate and arrange the manuscripts deposited in the Northern Library during the past year, by vote of the City Council of Providence, with authority to cause as many blank books to be made as he may deem requisite for the reception and preservation of said manuscripts, and to draw upon the treasurer for the expense of such books."

It will be observed that no list or particular description of the papers is given, nor do the records of the Society anywhere show the number or the nature of the manuscripts thus deposited. No further mention is made on the records of the society, relative to this deposit, other than that included in a list of the additions to the Northern District Cabinet for the year extending from July, 1845, to July, 1846, wherein it is stated that there are: "four bags of documents on deposit, to be surrendered when called for; a receipt having been given for the same to the City Clerk by the cabinet keeper." A careful examination of the city's files fails to disclose this receipt, but it was probably no more in detail than the entry made on the records of the Society.

In the course of their official investigations, the Commissioners have had occasion from time to time to refer to the great number of papers and documents relating to the

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proceedings of the town which were included among the manuscript collections of the Rhode Island Historical Society, and which gave unmistakable evidence of having been at one time the property of the town.

This is now satisfactorily explained, and the Commissioners think it proper that the attention of the City Council should be called to the fact so that these papers and documents, no less than the others of like character and description belonging to the city, may be placed in suitable form for preservation, in accordance with the modern methods which have been devised for preserving old manuscripts.

The Rhode Island Historical Society has long been recognized as a proper depository for valuable manuscripts and documents by State, City and individuals; indeed, the General Assembly of Rhode Island makes an annual appropriation for caring for its property there deposited, and it has recently, in recognition of the service rendered by the society in this respect, seen fit to increase the amount of that appropriation.

For nearly half a century this honored old society has cared for the papers of the city there deposited, not only without remuneration, but even at some expense to itself; and it is fortunate that these documents were placed in so secure a depository, for, had they not received such fostering guardianship, it is not unlikely that, among the vicissitudes to which they would have been exposed, many of them now of inestimable value to the municipality would have been lost or destroyed.

The authority granted the Record Commissioners to collect, print and preserve the early records of Providence, does not restrict them to any particular records, so long as they are the records of the town of Providence; but before taking any steps toward exercising any authority over the records in the custody of the Historical Society, or towards putting them in order, the Commissioners feel that the City Council

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should be informed of this deposit and its consent should be obtained.

The papers in the custody of the Historical Society, under the resolution of the City Council hereinbefore referred to, are none the less the property of the city than they would be if they had not been placed in such custody.

The work on the "Providence Town Papers" has so far progressed that an opportunity is now presented for the Commissioners to give these papers proper attention without interfering with the plans which they have outlined for caring for the documents now in their immediate custody.

All of the papers in the city's possession, outside of the Historical Society, previous to the year 1800, that have come to the knowledge of the Commissioners have been brought together, arranged, repaired and mounted in books, and an index to all of them up to and including the year 1790 has been nearly completed.

In view of the fact that a considerable portion of the records contained among the papers of the Rhode Island Historical Society will fill up the break which has previously been referred to, viz: the years 1675 to 1692, it would be wise if attention could be given to these records and a similar method pursued with them as with the other papers of the city, so that the documentary possessions of the city previous to the year 1800, wherever located, would be as complete as it is possible to make them.

Some years ago the Historical Society had these papers of the city inserted in scrap books along with other miscellaneous manuscripts of its own, and any attempt to put the city's papers in proper order will require that certain of the Society's possessions be disarranged.

The care which this Society has given to this property of the city during these many years would in justice seem to demand that the city, in caring for its own documents, should see that the Society's documents do not suffer by any re-arrangement, and that they are left in proper order.

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To this end the Commissioners recommend that, in the prosecution of their work, they may be authorized to apply a part of the last appropriation for their use, and, therefore, respectfully ask for the passage of the accompanying resolution.

HORATIO ROGERS,
G. M. CARPENTER,
EDWARD FIELD,
Record Commissioners.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., December 4, 1893.

No. 715. Resolution Directing the Record Commissioners to Cause Certain Old Documents Deposited in the R. I. Historical Society to be Repaired.

[Approved December 8, 1893.]

RESOLVED, That the record commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause the old papers and documents deposited in the Rhode Island Historical Society, by resolution of the City Council passed March 10, 1845, to be suitably repaired, classified, inserted in books, and indexed; and to also cause such manuscripts belonging to said society as may be disarranged by such repairing and classifying, to be arranged satisfactory to said society.

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In City Council, May 2, 1895.

Read, whereupon it is Ordered that the same be Received and Printed.

Wm. O. Clarke

City Clerk.

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REPORT.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Gentlemen: The Record Commissioners hereby submit a further report upon the work committed to their charge:

The Providence Town Papers consist of various papers and documents relating to the affairs of the Town of Providence embracing the period between 1639 and June, 1832, at which latter date the town was succeeded by the city of Providence and ceased to exist. The larger part of them are in the immediate possession of the city, although a comparatively few are in the charge of the Rhode Island Historical Society, where they were deposited by vote of the City Council, passed March 10, 1845. All have been, or are being, repaired, divided into series, each series being arranged in chronological order, so far as practicable, and mounted in books specially made for the purpose, each paper having been stamped as the property of the city and numbered.

The bulk of the material in the immediate custody of the city, as contradistinguished from the papers placed in the custody of the Historical Society, and which the Commissioners have brought into an orderly arrangement, was found in cupboards in the store room of the City Hall, where they were depos-

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ited when the old City Building was vacated in 1878. The first series comprises all the papers culled from that mass bearing date prior to 1800, together with various other papers of that period which have been donated since the organization of the Record Commission; for happily the interest aroused by the creation of a commission for the preservation and arrangement of the town papers, has incited owners of valuable old documents to present them to the city, and thus rich accessions have been made to the city's manuscript possessions.

The city is indebted to Miss Ann Elizabeth Arnold, of Pawtuxet, for 17 papers which once belonged to the early representatives of the Arnold family; to Mr. Howard Redwood Guild for 365 documents formerly in the possession of the Brown and Humphrey families; to Mr. William Henry Fenner for 1,082 papers and documents once belonging to Arthur and Thomas Fenner, both prominent officials in the early days of the town; and to his Honor Mayor Olney for 19 papers relating to his ancestors and to other members of his family. A strict chronological order has been somewhat interfered with by the desire to keep donations together; and each donated paper, in addition to being stamped as the property of the city, has also been marked with the name of the donor. The first series contains 17,727 documents, arranged in 42 volumes as follows:

Vol. 1.	1642 to July 1761	Nos.	1 to	350
Vol. 2.	July 1761 to Oct. 1775 . .	Nos.	351 to	851
Vol. 3.	Oct. 1775 to Oct. 1777 . .	Nos.	852 to	1317

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Vol. 4.	Oct. 1777 to Aug. 1779 . .	Nos. 1318 to 1800
Vol. 5.	Aug. 1779 to Jan. 1781 . .	Nos. 1801 to 2314
Vol. 6.	Jan. 1781 to Aug. 1782 . .	Nos. 2315 to 2775
Vol. 7.	Aug. 1782 to Aug. 1784 . .	Nos. 2776 to 3208
Vol. 8.	Aug. 1784 to Aug. 1785 . .	Nos. 3209 to 3569
Vol. 9.	Aug. 1785 to Sept. 1786 . .	Nos. 3570 to 4010
Vol. 10.	Sept. 1786 to Nov. 1787 . .	Nos. 4011 to 4481
Vol. 11.	Nov. 1787 to Aug. 1788 . .	Nos. 4482 to 4948
Vol. 12.	Aug. 1788 to Dec. 1789 . .	Nos. 4949 to 5368
Vol. 13.	Dec. 1789 to Dec. 1790 . .	Nos. 5369 to 5814
Vol. 14.	Dec. 1790 to May 1791 . .	Nos. 5815 to 6335
Vol. 15.	May 1791 to Dec. 1791 . .	Nos. 6336 to 6784
Vol. 16.	Dec. 1791 to Aug. 1792 . .	Nos. 6785 to 7264
Vol. 17.	Aug. 1792 to Jan. 1793 . .	Nos. 7265 to 7733
Vol. 18.	Jan. 1793 to Nov. 1793 . .	Nos. 7734 to 8152
Vol. 19.	Nov. 1793 to Mar. 1794 . .	Nos. 8153 to 8608
Vol. 20.	Mar. 1794 to Dec. 1794 . .	Nos. 8609 to 9030
Vol. 21.	Dec. 1794 to Feb. 1795 . .	Nos. 9031 to 9504
Vol. 22.	Feb. 1795 to Sept. 1795 . .	Nos. 9505 to 9955
Vol. 23.	Sept. 1795 to Jan. 1796 . .	Nos. 9956 to 10374
Vol. 24.	Jan. 1796 to May 1796 . .	Nos. 10375 to 10850
Vol. 25.	May 1796 to Oct. 1796 . .	Nos. 10851 to 11260
Vol. 26.	Oct. 1796 to Jan. 1797 . .	Nos. 11261 to 11681
Vol. 27.	Jan. 1797 to Sept. 1797 . .	Nos. 11682 to 12143
Vol. 28.	Sept. 1797 to Jan. 1798 . .	Nos. 12144 to 12537
Vol. 29.	Jan. 1798 to May 1798 . .	Nos. 12538 to 12933
Vol. 30.	May 1798 to Oct. 1798 . .	Nos. 12934 to 13299
Vol. 31.	Oct. 1798 to May 1799 . .	Nos. 13300 to 13592
Vol. 32.	May 1799 to Oct. 1799 . .	Nos. 13593 to 13845
Vol. 33.	Oct. 1799 to Dec. 1799 Bowen Papers Dec. 1745 to Sept. 1772	Nos. 13846 to 14186
Vol. 34.	Bowen Papers Sept. 1772 to Sept. 1807 Guild Papers Mar. 1684–5 to May 1722	Nos. 14187 to 14649

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Vol. 35.	Guild Papers May 1722 to May 1806	Nos. 14651 to 14920
Vol. 36.	Guild Papers Oct. 1806 to Apr. 1828 Sept. 1698 to Feb. 1793	Nos. 14921 to 15330
Vol. 37.	Oct. 1784 to Apr. 1799 . .	Nos. 15330A to 15800
Vol. 38.	Apr. 1799 to May 1799 . .	Nos. 15801 to 16275
Vol. 39.	May 1799 to Dec. 1799 Town of Providence vs. Martha Howell	Nos. 16276 to 16625
Vol. 39A.	May 1640 to Jan. 1714 Fenner Papers	Nos. 16626 to 16946
Vol. 39B.	Mar. 1714 to June 1766 Fenner Papers	Nos. 16947 to 17337
Vol. 39C.	Mar. 1641 to Feb. 1815 Fenner, Bates and Olney Papers	Nos. 17338 to 17727

The second series comprises the papers in the keeping of the Rhode Island Historical Society, which were deposited there by the vote of the City Council in 1845. They number 1,369, each number of this series having a 0 prefixed as a distinguishing mark, and they occupy five volumes, arranged as follows:

Vol. 1.	1639 to April 1682	Nos. 01 to 0367
Vol. 2.	Apr. 1682 to Mar. 1722 . .	Nos. 0368 to 0717
Vol. 3.	Apr. 1722 to Feb. 1754 . .	Nos. 0718 to 0974
Vol. 4.	Aug. 1754 to June 1823 . .	Nos. 0975 to 01056
Vol. 5.	No date papers	Nos. 01057 to 01369

This series contains papers which are of great value to the city as showing the assignment of lands, tax lists, layout of highways, erection of bridges; and even many pages of the original records of the Town Meeting and Town Council are included in it.

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In separating these town documents from the manuscripts belonging to the Historical Society, with which they had become mixed when arranged and mounted by that Society many years ago, it became necessary, in order to hold the Society harmless, to repair, arrange and mount 2,076 of its papers. This work was done pursuant to a joint resolution of the City Council No. 715, approved Dec. 8, 1893, and these repaired and rearranged papers, neatly bound in nine volumes, marked Rhode Island Historical Society Manuscripts, have been returned to the Society.

The third series contains the papers included within the period from 1800 to June 1832, when the town became a city, and consists of 63,576 papers and will occupy about one hundred volumes, beginning with volume 40 of the manuscript volumes in the immediate possession of the city. The distinguishing numbers of this series have two ciphers prefixed, thus: 001, in order to avoid confusing them with the numbers of the papers of other series. The volumes as now arranged are as follows:

Vol.	40.	1800	. . . .	Nos.	001 to	00319
Vol.	41.	1800	. . . .	Nos.	00320 to	00750
Vol.	42.	1800	. . . .	Nos.	00751 to	001214
Vol.	43.	1800–1801	. . . .	Nos.	001215 to	001803
Vol.	44.	1801	. . . .	Nos.	001804 to	002369
Vol.	45.	1801	. . . .	Nos.	002370 to	002833
Vol.	46.	1801	. . . .	Nos.	002834 to	003139
Vol.	47.	1801–1802	. . . .	Nos.	003140 to	003399
Vol.	48.	1802	. . . .	Nos.	003400 to	003756
Vol.	49.	1802	. . . .	Nos.	003757 to	004215
Vol.	50.	1802–1803	. . . .	Nos.	004216 to	004717

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Vol.	51.	1803	. . . .	Nos. 004718 to 005216
Vol.	52.	1803	. . . .	Nos. 005217 to 005583
Vol.	53.	1803–1804	. . . .	Nos. 005584 to 005825
Vol.	54.	1804	. . . .	Nos. 005826 to 006141
Vol.	55.	1804	. . . .	Nos. 006142 to 006630
Vol.	56.	1804	. . . .	Nos. 006631 to 007121
Vol.	57.	1804–1805	. . . .	Nos. 007122 to 007626
Vol.	58.	1805	. . . .	Nos. 007627 to 008130
Vol.	59.	1805	. . . .	Nos. 008131 to 008483
Vol.	60.	1805–1806	. . . .	Nos. 008484 to 008750
Vol.	61.	1806	. . . .	Nos. 008751 to 009007
Vol.	62.	1806	. . . .	Nos. 009008 to 009494
Vol.	63.	1806	. . . .	Nos. 009495 to 009983
Vol.	64.	1806–1807	. . . .	Nos. 009984 to 0010477
Vol.	65.	1807	. . . .	Nos. 0010478 to 0010993
Vol.	66.	1807–1808	. . . .	Nos. 0010994 to 0011293
Vol.	67.	1808	. . . .	Nos. 0011294 to 0011680
Vol.	68.	1808	. . . .	Nos. 0011681 to 0012215
Vol.	69.	1808–1809	. . . .	Nos. 0012216 to 0012690
Vol.	70.	1809	. . . .	Nos. 0012691 to 0013336
Vol.	71.	1809	. . . .	Nos. 0013337 to 0014044
Vol.	72.	1809–1810	. . . .	Nos. 0014045 to 0014547
Vol.	73.	1810	. . . .	Nos. 0014548 to 0015308
Vol.	74.	1810–1811	. . . .	Nos. 0015309 to 0016224
Vol.	75.	1811	. . . .	Nos. 0016225 to 0017098
Vol.	76.	1811	. . . .	Nos. 0017099 to 0017783
Vol.	77.	1811–1812	. . . .	Nos. 0017784 to 0018230
Vol.	78.	1812.	. . . .	Nos. 0018231 to 0019015
Vol.	79.	1812.	. . . .	Nos. 0019016 to 0019903
Vol.	80.	1812–1813	. . . .	Nos. 0019904 to 0020765
Vol.	81.	1813	. . . .	Nos. 0020766 to 0021389
Vol.	82.	1813–1814	. . . .	Nos. 0021390 to 0021753
Vol.	83.	1814	. . . .	Nos. 0021754 to 0022294
Vol.	84.	1814	. . . .	Nos. 0022295 to 0022958
Vol.	85.	1814–1815	. . . .	Nos. 0022959 to 0023656
Vol.	86.	1815	. . . .	Nos. 0023657 to 0024158
Vol.	87.	1815	. . . .	Nos. 0024159 to 0024849

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Vol. 88.	1815–1816	. . . .	Nos. 0024850 to 0025313
Vol. 89.	1816	. . . .	Nos. 0025314 to 0025989
Vol. 90.	1816	. . . .	Nos. 0025990 to 0026697
Vol. 91.	1816–1817	. . . .	Nos. 0026698 to 0027408
Vol. 92.	1817	. . . .	Nos. 0027409 to 0027924
Vol. 93.	1817	. . . .	Nos. 0027925 to 0028262
Vol. 94.	1817	. . . .	Nos. 0028263 to 0028908
Vol. 95.	1817–1818	. . . .	Nos. 0028909 to 0029456
Vol. 96.	1818	. . . .	Nos. 0029457 to 0029882
Vol. 97.	1818	. . . .	Nos. 0029883 to 0030506
Vol. 98.	1818	. . . .	Nos. 0030507 to 0031197
Vol. 99.	1818–1819	. . . .	Nos. 0031198 to 0031984
Vol. 100.	1819	. . . .	Nos. 0031985 to 0032801
Vol. 101.	1819	. . . .	Nos. 0032802 to 0033445
Vol. 102.	1819	. . . .	Nos. 0033446 to 0033779
Vol. 103.	1819–1820	. . . .	Nos. 0033780 to 0034132
Vol. 104.	1820	. . . .	Nos. 0034133 to 0034468
Vol. 105.	1820	. . . .	Nos. 0034469 to 0035199
Vol. 106.	1820	. . . .	Nos. 0035200 to 0036061
Vol. 107.	1820–1821	. . . .	Nos. 0036062 to 0036878
Vol. 108.	1821	. . . .	Nos. 0036879 to 0037670
Vol. 109.	1821	. . . .	Nos. 0037671 to 0038164
Vol. 110.	1821	. . . .	Nos. 0038165 to 0038525
Vol. 111.	1821–1822	. . . .	Nos. 0038526 to 0038881
Vol. 112.	1822	. . . .	Nos. 0038882 to 0039302
Vol. 113.	1822	. . . .	Nos. 0039303 to 0040092
Vol. 114.	1822–1823	. . . .	Nos. 0040093 to 0040845
Vol. 115.	1823	. . . .	Nos. 0040846 to 0041448
Vol. 116.	1823	. . . .	Nos. 0041449 to 0041754
Vol. 117.	1823	. . . .	Nos. 0041755 to 0042421
Vol. 118.	1823–1824	. . . .	Nos. 0042422 to 0043207
Vol. 119.	1824	. . . .	Nos. 0043208 to 0043517
Vol. 120.	1824	. . . .	Nos. 0043518 to 0043981
Vol. 121.	1824	. . . .	Nos. 0043982 to 0044855
Vol. 122.	1824	. . . .	Nos. 0044856 to 0045441
Vol. 123.	1824–1825	. . . .	Nos. 0045442 to 0046274
Vol. 124.	1825	. . . .	Nos. 0046275 to 0046653

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Vol. 125.	1825.	Nos. 0046654 to 0047096
Vol. 126.	1825.	Nos. 0047097 to 0048080
Vol. 127.	1825--1826	Nos. 0048081 to 0048503
Vol. 128.	1826.	Nos. 0048504 to 0048888
Vol. 129.	1826	Nos. 0048889 to 0049549
Vol. 130.	1826	Nos. 0049550 to 0050448
Vol. 131.	1826	Nos. 0050449 to 0051055
Vol. 132.	1826–1827	Nos. 0051056 to 0051677
Vol. 133.	1827	Nos. 0051678 to 0052000
Vol. 134.	1827	Nos. 0052001 to 0052511
Vol. 135.	1827	Nos. 0052512 to 0053611
Vol. 136.	1827–1828	Nos. 0053612 to 0054155
Vol. 137.	1828	Nos. 0054156 to 0054584
Vol. 138.	1828	Nos. 0054585 to 0055062

In addition to the manuscripts above referred to, Mrs. Catherine R. Peirce has lately deposited with the city a valuable collection of papers of the Warner family, which collection numbers 1,921 documents and contains many which throw much light on our early history, and particularly upon the relations existing between Providence and Warwick. The arrangement of these Warner papers will at once engage the attention of the Commissioners.

So brittle was the condition of many of these old manuscripts when they came to the hands of the Commissioners that the least handling caused them to break to pieces, hence the most careful repairing was absolutely necessary for their preservation, and especially was this true as to whole pages of the Third Book of the Town Records. The result of this work of reparation may be seen, although imperfectly, by the plates which accompany this report, which convey some idea of the nature of the documents to which the Commissioners have directed

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Memorandum this list in ye Inventorie was cast up to
4li 18s 10d but amounteth
to more ye Money Lay being
Considered & Ballanced:—
There was alsoe in one chest

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their attention. The first plate represents one page of a paper found among the mass of documents in the City Hall store room, previously mentioned, and now among the files of the Municipal Court, and is a part of the only paper in the immediate custody of the city which attests the fact that Roger Williams was once the Town Clerk.

The second plate represents a part of paper No. 16,627, which is a memorandum in the handwriting of Daniel Abbott, who was town clerk from 1677 to 1681, and relates to certain questions as to land titles. It begins as follows:

"Memorand: — Some short necessary intemations (for plea) against ye Wesquadnadians As followeth

"ffirst That Mr Williams ye Agent for ye Towne of providence & procur^r^ of ye plantation thereof: had seaverall Treaties wth ye cheife Sachims in ye yeare 1634. & in 35: And in ye end obtained ye same:

"2.ly. And in ye yeare 1637. became a Towne incorporated Agust ye 20th: —"

In the transcript made in 1800, under the authority of the town, of the first three books of the town, at the head of the first page and directly preceding the copy of the Compact of Providence (see Early Records of the Town of Providence, vol. 1, p. 1) is written the date "August the 20th, 1637," in the same handwriting in which the transcript is made. Opposite and to the left of this date is written, apparently at a different time, as follows: —

"N. B. this date is on the Left
hand page of the following."

This date does not appear in the original book, as it now is, and, therefore, was not printed in the

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volume prepared by the Commissioners. This transcript of 1800, according to the inscription on the book, was "Transcribed by Order of the Town of Providence under the Inspection of a Committee and by them compared."

Comparing these two entries the Commissioners think it may be concluded that the Compact of Providence now appearing on the first page of the First Book of the Town of Providence is the first written compact or act of incorporation of the town, and that it was signed on the 20th of August, 1637. This marks the date at least of the formal foundation of Providence, a date hitherto uncertain.

It is from papers in such condition as these that the Commissioners have been able to fill the hiatus existing in the records in the possession of the town for the period between 1676 and 1677.

The papers being thus repaired and compactly arranged in volumes it became an important question how to render them available for reference. It was determined to prepare a comprehensive index which would afford to investigators information of the character of the papers and the place where they could be found. This task of indexing was delegated to Welcome Arnold Greene, Esq., of this city, whose familiarity with the history of the town and state had equipped him with the peculiar qualifications required for such work. He has indexed the papers in the first series up to the end of the year 1790, and the result of his labors will be found in the index accompanying this report.

A manuscript index of the names of persons and

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places mentioned in the papers included in this printed index has been made by Amelia E. Carpenter, and comprises upwards of 200 closely written pages. She has also indexed all the names appearing in the volumes of the Providence Town Papers in the keeping of the Rhode Island Historical Society, making 100 closely written pages.

In the prosecution of the work on the Providence Town Papers the Commissioners have employed four assistants.

The work of arranging the papers and inserting them in books has been done mostly by A. Josephine Torrey. The work of repairing and preparing for mounting has been performed by Susie F. Rathbun and Elizabeth E. Hunt, while the indexing of names has been done, as previously stated, by Amelia E. Carpenter.

A part of the time of one assistant, Mabel G. Cole, has been given to arranging the papers preparatory to mounting.

In addition to the papers which the Commissioners have brought together from the mass which came into their custody, they have put in order a number of loose and unbound pages of miscellaneous records which have not heretofore received the attention which their value would justify. These have all been substantially but cheaply bound and put in a good state for preservation, and perhaps they can be described in no better way than by the following schedule:

Town Meeting Minutes, from April, 1800, to August, 1808.

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Town Meeting Minutes, from August, 1808, to June 4, 1810.

Town Meeting Minutes, from August, 1810, to August, 1812.

List of Voters, October 11 1824.

[These volumes contain the original minutes of the proceedings in town meeting, the petitions, memorials and communications generally submitted for consideration, and the certificates of freemen as to their qualifications to vote.]

Record of Fire Buckets, 1811 to 1814, 1816 to 1818, 1820 to 1825 and 1828.

[These are the reports of the town sergeant as to the number and condition of the fire buckets which each householder was required to have on hand by order of the town, with the names of such householder.]

In the arrangement of the papers heretofore referred to, the Commissioners found nearly a complete set of the records of the so-called Paper-Money Bank Mortgages, — devices by which bills of credit were issued by the colony and state from 1715 to 1786. These were originally a part of the records of land evidence, and while they are of no value as affecting titles to real property, they are of consequence in identifying property and its ownership at certain periods. These volumes, eight in number, the Commissioners have caused to be bound for preservation and to be indexed; and have printed that index following the index to the Providence Town Papers.

Through the coöperation of William E. Clarke, City Clerk, and J. Herbert Shedd, City Engineer

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the Commissioners have caused 332 plats and reports on file in the City Clerk's office, relative to streets and highways in the Town of Providence, mostly dated previous to 1800, and which were badly mutilated from long and continuous handling, and were in imminent danger of soon becoming worthless, to be repaired and copies to be made for ordinary use.

On the 20th day of November, 1893, the Commissioners addressed a letter to J. Herbert Shedd, City Engineer, requesting that these plats be copied, as many, if not all, were of great value in determining the original lines and layout of streets, many of them now in the compact part of the city.

Pursuant to this request, Mr. Shedd assigned the work of copying to William G. Brennen, Assistant Engineer, and most careful copies have been made, which have been bound up in volumes entitled, Plats of Streets and Highways in the Town of Providence, Numbers 1 and 2. The originals have been repaired and mounted in volumes entitled, Plats of Streets and Highways in the Town of Providence, Reports on Streets and Highways in the Town of Providence; and references have been made on the copies to the places where the originals may be found. These when finally completed will be placed in the custody of the City Clerk.

An index of these plats has been prepared by Mr. Brennen, under the direction of City Engineer Shedd and follows the index to the Paper-Money Bank Mortgages with this report.

The work of printing the Early Records of the Town of Providence has been prosecuted with as

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much rapidity as the nature of the work would permit. In this work the Commissioners have employed two assistants, Cora B. Jewett and Mabel G. Cole, the former having been engaged in the work of transcribing the ancient records, while the latter has served as proofreader and general assistant.

The first three books of records of the town have been reproduced in type and their contents are therefore preserved for all time against any calamity against which human foresight can guard. These three books make five printed volumes.

Before this point had been reached, a careful examination of the records was made and the Commissioners decided that it was desirable that the succeeding books should follow as perfect a chronological order as the condition of the records would permit. The records from 1676 to 1692 were in such condition that parts of this period could only be covered by the examination of many hundred manuscripts, involving much labor.

In order that no time might be wasted while this work was in progress, the Commissioners decided to commence the printing of the first Will Book, as it is now generally called, but which was originally known as the first book for the Town Council's particular use. This volume had been copied some years ago and the copy thus made was used for the purpose of printing, thereby saving expense.

Another reason why it was desirable to print this book at this time was that it was the earliest book of the Town Council Proceedings and covers in date a part of the proceedings of the Town Council dur-

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ing the very time of which the Commissioners were endeavoring to perfect a record.

The first Will Book having been printed, in volumes six and seven of the Early Records, the Commissioners then proceeded to collect the material for the Town Meeting records from the year 1676. This material is made up from the Town Meeting record book which, by some misarrangement, made many years ago, when the books of record were bound, was numbered 3, but which, in order of chronology, follows the books in the custody of the Recorder of Deeds (which have been printed) and precedes the volumes now marked Vol. 1 of the Town Council and Town Meeting records. The manuscript for the period from 1676 to 1692 has been prepared and the first volume thereof is in the hands of the printer.

HORATIO ROGERS,
G. M. CARPENTER,
EDWARD FIELD,
Record Commissioners.

PROVIDENCE, April 22, 1895.

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INTRODUCTION TO THE INDEX.

It is deemed advisable to present in this place a general statement of the character and method of the work whose results are here printed, as well as various particular statements as to titles, sub-titles and other entries. These particular statements are placed here, rather than in foot-notes, mainly for typographical reasons. They are intended to be only interpretative of the words used in the index, whether those be the words of the original documents or of the indexer. If statements of construction or of correlative fact be therein found, they have been inserted because they are deemed necessary to a clear interpretation.

In the work here presented there are references to about seven thousand and fifty documents. Many of these documents are of a composite order, embracing matters so differing from each other that separate references for each one are required. It is estimated that there are over ten thousand references in this work.

When the Commissioners first began to gather and preserve these papers, it became evident that an index was needed. They had, at first, intended to place all the papers in, as nearly as could be determined, a chronological order so that the serial numbers would serve as a clue to the dates. After they had placed some fourteen thousand papers in this way, carrying the dates up into the present century, a collection came to light, comprising nearly a thousand papers and of dates between 1743 and later than 1800. By the time these papers were properly mounted and numbered, another lot was received, the earliest date of which is in 1698; and before these were properly arranged another lot was found, the earliest one of which was dated in 1644. Hence it comes that in this volume, which covers only the period to 1790, we have this result:

Serial	Number	1	bears	date	in	1642
"	"	14004	bears	date	in	1744.
"	"	14976	"	"	"	1698.
"	"	16611	"	"	"	1642.

It may be noted, also, that since the preparation of the manuscript for this index was begun, there have come to the Commission some thousands of papers all bearing on the first century of the existence of Provi-

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dence. All these, as a matter of necessity, had to be left to await a second volume of the index which will probably be required to cover the papers up to the date of 1790.

After much consideration they devised the plan of giving the year date, which they have printed in a different type from the serial number (which it always precedes;) and where a number of similar documents are all in one and the same year the year date is given first and all numbers following it, whether on that line or following lines, are serial numbers of papers dated in that year until the next year date is reached.

It was at first intended simply to classify the papers by titles as "Acts," "Bills," "Certificates," etc.; but this was soon found to be impracticable and insufficient. In the matter of bills, for instance, there are thousands of bills bearing on every subject in which the town or the townsmen were interested; and to put them all into one class, even if alphabetically arranged, would only tend to the hopeless confusion of the seeker after information. It was useless to try to simplify the matter by attempting to make a distinction between "public" and "private" bills, —for, prior to the close of the Revolution, the great majority of the bills against the town were made out against the town officers, apparently as individuals; and it often requires a close scrutiny of the contents of a bill, and of the mode of payment as well, to determine whether the bill is against the individual or the town; and it can scarcely be said to be a rarity to find bills in which some items are against the town and some against the person who filled the town's office.

Another reason for not classing all bills under the title of that name is that nearly all of the public bills are in connection with matters which themselves require a titular distinction in the index as Bridges, Fire Apparatus, Highways, etc.; and if other matters than bills connected with or referring to Bridges, etc., are entered under that or those titles it would seem as if the bills also should be so entered; while if the bills are entered under both titles it would lead to an useless duplication of entries.

It is true that many of these bills refer to matters affecting several of these, what may be called, natural titles; as, for instance, we find items referring to Bridges, Highways and Fortifications, all in one bill; but this fact only shows more plainly the necessity of arranging the references by a classification based on the subject matter.

These remarks in regard to bills apply equally to Certificates, Letters, Orders, Petitions, Warrants, etc.; in fact to all of what would be considered purely titular headings.

In carrying out their plan the Commissioners have striven to make the titles and sub-titles and further sub-divisions of the index go as far as possible in the description of the subject matter of the papers. The features which the papers possess in common have been incorporated as succinctly as possible into such titles, leaving the actual reference in thousands of cases to be simply the serial number; and when more than that is given it is simply the differentia distinguishing it from others of its class, and making it, in so far *sui generis;* which individualization is expressed in the briefest manner.

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There are many cases where the system of this index and of a titular index concur. To prevent confusion arising from this source, the Commissioners have introduced a series of cross references, in each case where it is applicable, showing where other papers of the same nominal title are to be found.

The most general feature of the arrangement is its alphabetical order. A list of titles given in that order is hereto annexed and serves as a contents of the index. All sub-titles of any given title are placed in like order. When a sub-title becomes the subject of a further division, the numbers of that division are placed in alphabetical order, and so with further sub-divisions so far as they may be carried. If the occasion for it exists, a chronological classification is introduced, leaving the ultimate result to be the distinction of the serial numbers. This may be well illustrated in the case of Neal McNeal. He was a pauper, receiving aid from the town, hence his case comes under the title of Poor. Most of the aid he received was in the form of orders of Overseer of the Poor on the Town Treasurer. "Order of Overseer of Poor on the Town Treasurer in favor of" is one of the sub-titles under Poor, and is found in its alphabetical order. But many other persons besides Neal McNeal were the beneficiaries of such orders; they therefore form the subject of a further division or a sub-sub-title. The names of these persons are placed in alphabetical order, and, in its proper place among those is Neal McNeal. Orders in favor of Neal McNeal are further classified according to the persons to whom payable, those payable to him being placed first and those payable to others following in alphabetical order.

To show the general plan of the system, there is here given a diagrammatic abstract from the most complicated and, at the same time, one of the most interesting titles, viz.: Revolution. Under this head it has been intended to index every document bearing on the revolutionary struggle.

Title.
Sub-title.
Division.
Sub-division.
Individualization.
Sub-individualization.

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LIST OF TITLES.

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Apprentice.
Appropriation.
Arbitration.
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Baptist Meeting House Lane note.
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Court of Inquiry.
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Currency, state.
Custodian of estate.
Debt.
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Deed.
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Deputy to General Assembly.
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Discharge of soldier.
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Impost tax.
Indenture.
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Inferior Court of Common Pleas.
Information.
Ingrossing of prices.
Interest account.
Intendent's office.
Invoice.
Iron and flour account.
Inventory.
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Lease.
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School house.
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Wharfage.
Will.
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Bill against Henry Bowen on account of store. In classifying these bills, the principal item is chosen.

Bridge—The rule followed is, where a paper is known to refer to a particular bridge, to class it under the name of that bridge; where it is uncertain what bridge is referred to, the paper is placed in the general list.

Case of Town of Providence vs. Martha Howell. This is a lot of papers all bearing on one case, recently come to light and all classed together, though of widely different dates and characters.

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Highway bills where locality is given.—The names of localities, streets, etc., here given, are those used in the bills and often differ from the places to which the same names are given at the present time.

Note—The year date given with the notes is sometimes that of payment, and not the date of the note.

Note—Public. These notes were all given, unless otherwise specified, by the town treasurer. Some state the purpose for which they were given, some do not. In addition there was a distinction between current money notes, continental currency notes, hard money notes, gold notes, gold and silver notes, and silver notes, or notes payable in those respective kinds of currency, though sometimes all these different kinds of notes would be issued under the same resolution or for the same purpose. These differences are indicated by

1st. Making a class of simple notes in which there was no special feature to be noted.

2d. Classifying the notes as far as possible according to the objects for which issued in alphabetical order and

3d. Placing in this alphabetical arrangement under the head of resolutions the notes that can only be classified by reference to the resolutions authorizing them in chronological order of the dates of the resolutions; the notes themselves being ranged in alphabetical order of the names of payees.

4th. After the name of the payer is the indication of the money of payment, If unspecified in the note it is left blank; if "gold," "gold or silver" or "gold and silver" it is represented by a G, if "hard money" by an H, if "silver money" or "Spanish milled silver dollars" by an S, and if "Continental currency" by a C.

Order drawn on James Arnold—Many of these may have been drawn upon him as town treasurer, but where it is impossible to determine positively that they were such they are entered as private matters.

Poor—Order of overseer on town treasurer for relief of Daniel Box. He was a *Continental invalid*, which title see.

Poor—Order of overseer on town treasurer, in favor of Michael McFowley. See also orders in favor of Fowley above.

Poor—Order of overseer on town treasurer in favor of Deborah Olney. See sub-title rent *post*.

Poor—Order of overseer on town treasurer in favor of Sigbee Richmond, a black invalid state soldier.

Poor—Order of overseer on town treasurer in favor of John Skirms, an old state soldier.

Poor—Order of overseer on town treasurer in favor of Mrs. Bridget Smith. See sub-title rent *post*.

Poor—Reports of overseer of poor. Many of the accounts noted heretofore as "bills general" are in the nature of reports.

Poor—Work House, care of poor in. Many items in regard to poor in work house form parts of the bills indexed under title of "Town Sergeant."

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Revolution—Expedition to Rhode Island. These papers apparently refer to service other than that in the battle of Rhode Island and the expedition leading thereto.

School House—Some of these papers probably refer to the *Brick School House*, which see *post*.

Small pox, general—The papers in regard to small pox are divided under four titles:

1st. Those relating to small pox generally, viz.: with no special feature of distinguishment.

2d. Those relating to small pox hospital generally, viz.: where no location is given.

3d. Those relating to small pox hospital at North Providence and

4th. Those relating to small pox hospital at Tockwotten.

Evidently many papers classed under the second title refer to the third or fourth, but as it is impossible to tell which of the two is referred to in them, they are classed as found.

Tax—Assessment, bill for, of Nathan Wheaton. Perhaps this name should be Nathaniel.

Tax—Order of town treasurer on tax collector out of tax collecting, for paving notes taken up in favor of Zephaniah Andrews (3756) was for pavement around the market house. Order to Nicholas Brown, in the same series (3793) was for paving the market parade.

Test act—List of inhabitants of Providence who signed and list of inhabitants of Providence who did not sign. These two lists are not originals but copies, which the copyist states to be correct and that the originals were at the time of copying in the town clerk's office.

Town Sergeant—Bill of against town for services. The nature of the services for which these bills are rendered is so varied that no attempt is made to classify them thereby.

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Morris Brown										1789	5347	
William Brown										1787	4503	
Timothy Brownell										1789	5080	
Ezekiel Burkett										1790	5461	
Elias Callender										1788	4757	
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Daniel Field							1785	3673		1790	5535	
James Field							1782	2678		1788	4637	
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George Gordon										1789	5363	
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David Howell	1779	1859	1787	4254			1788	4648		1790	5435	
Nathan Jacobs										1776	887	
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Benjamin Marshall										1790	5463	
Sylvanus Martin										1787	4550	
Richard Marven										1790	5518	
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Pardon Mason										1790	5562	
John Mathewson										1790	5498	
Ralph Merry									1788	4811	4812	
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Stephen Randall							1788	4652		1789	5356	
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Samuel Black		1780 2244
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Joseph Martin		1790 5528
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John Carter		1777 1353
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Martin Wheeler		1781 **2601**
Muddy dock Zephaniah Andrews		1787 **4564**
Neck highways in Dexter Brown		1785 **3720**
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Northerly part of town William Earle		1787 **4426**
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David Howell		1786 **3801**
Thomas Jones		1787 **4244**
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School street Paul Allen		1790 5509
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John Smiths by John Smith		1786 3785
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special form of payable in corded oak wood Rufus Thornton to Henry Bowen 1787 4197
payable in West India goods Henry Bowen to Daniel Cahoon 1787 4290
payable on demand in work on a vessel Oliver Luther to Henry Bowen 1785 14510
public simple note to Welcome Arnold 1785 3577
Nathan Angell 1784 3159
Jabez Bowen 1776 1081 1780 2038
John Brown 1784 3235
N. Brown G 1780 2186
Hezekiah Dayton G 1780 2042
John Demount H 1780 2085
Josiah Gifford H 1780 2051
Levi Hall H 1781 2319
Lewis Peck 1777 1346
William Rhodes 1777 1136
Sterry and Murray S 1780 2036
Robert Taylor G 1780 2028
William Wheaton H 1780 2037
Aaron Wright H 1780 2040
under resolutions the dates of which are not given Zephaniah Andrews S 1790 5824
Welcome Arnold S 1790 5636
Nicholas Branch S 1790 5821
Charles Holdin 1790 5744
Man and Lowe 1790 5964
John Mumford S 1790 5932
Daniel Tefft S 1790 5962
for account taken up under resolution of Oct. 18 1786 to Zephaniah Andrews S 1790 5823
Samuel Black S 1790 5811
Nicholas Branch S 1787 4260 4296 4520
Elisha Brown S 1787 4362
Isaac Brown S 1790 5887
Henry Bowen S 1787 4559 1788 4793 1789 5135 5185
John Carter S 1790 5788
Dr. John Chace S 1790 5957
Silas Covel S 1790 5791
Samuel Davenport S 1789 5132

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Note for account taken up under resolution of Oct. 18, 1786
Richard Fenner S 1790 5913
Amasa Gray S 1790 5956
Dr. Joseph Hewes S 1790 5822
David Howell S 1788 4645 1790 5853
Thomas Jones S 1787 4562
Joseph Lawrence S 1788 4782 4783
Joshua Lindley S 1790 5895
Philip Martin S 1790 5890
Sylvanus Martin S 1790 5854 5857 5858
Aaron Mason S 1790 5860
Robert Newell S 1790 5896 5901
Reuben Potter S 1790 5866
Stephen Randall S 1790 5794
Squire Thurber S 1790 5900
Nathan Waterman S 1787 4336 4397 1788 5049
Nathaniel Wheaton S 1789 5212
William and James Wheaton S 1788 4869
Bennett Wheeler S 1790 5899
John Whipple S 1787 4424
Andrew Williams S 1787 4329
for account ringing bell Nicholas Branch S 1788 4973
1789 5136
Joseph and William Russell S 1787 4509
for account repairs Great bridge Clarke & Nightengale S 1788 4862
for money borrowed to buy corn, see also *Bread Corn Distribution*
authority to issue and form of 1779 1604
Amos Allen 1779 1738
Paul Allen 1779 1647
Philip Allen 1779 1705
Zephaniah Andrews 1779 1758 1759
James Angell 1779 1687
Christopher Arnold 1779 1754
Joseph Arnold 1779 1766
Welcome Arnold 1779 1749
Elijah Bacon 1779 1643
William Barton 1779 1727
John Brown 1779 1724
Moses Brown 1779 1721 1722 1779
Nicholas Brown 1779 1700
Zephaniah Brown 1779 1715
Ephraim Bowen 1779 1771
Jabez Bowen 1779 1622
James Burril 1779 1746
Samuel Butler 1779 1741
John Carter 1779 1633

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Note for money borrowed to buy corn

Samuel Chace	1779 1745
Joseph Clarke	1779 1770
Samuel Clarke	1779 1624
Clarke & Nightengale	1779 1707
Billings Coggeshall	1779 1756
Benjamin Cozzens	1779 1639
John Davis	1779 1613
Solomon Drown	1779 1636
Zachariah Eddy	1779 1626
James Field	1779 1630
John Foster	1779 1629
Theodore Foster	1779 1637
Benjamin Gladding	1779 1748
Jotham Ham	1779 1755
Levi Ham	1779 1619
Samuel Hamblin	1779 1615
Hawkins and Bitts	1779 1617
James Hill	1779 1634
Joseph Hoyle	1779 1723
Jeremiah Jenckes	1779 1610
John Jenckes	1779 1757
Sylvanus Jenckes	1779 1650
Reuben Johnston	1779 1631
Charles Keen	1779 1763
John Larcher	1779 1712
David Lawrence	1779 1635
Joseph Lawrence	1779 1644
Richard Marden	1779 1780
Aaron Mason	1779 1641
John Mumford	1779 1719
Robert Newell	1779 1704
Ambrose Page	1779 1794
Israel Pearce	1779 1614
Oliver Pearce of Benoni	1779 1788
Mrs. Jerusha Pease	1779 1730
Lewis Peck	1779 1760
Mrs. Philip Peckham	1779 1716
Sanders Pitman	1779 1761
Phineas and Joseph Potter	1779 1625
William Rhodes	1779 1645
Thomas Roan	1779 1740
Mrs. Elizabeth Ross	1779 1627
Joseph and William Russell	1779 1720
Thomas Rutinbar	1779 1753
Thomas Sabin	1779 1717
Timothy Sabin	1779 1762
Martin Seamans	1779 1765

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Note for money borrowed to buy corn

Timothy Sheldon Jr	1779	**1646**
Levi Sisson	1779	**1694**
Daniel Snow	1779	**1713**
Daniel Spencer	1779	**1632**
Mrs. Barbara Stanton	1779	**1628**
Robert Stevens Jr	1779	**1618**
Archibald Stewart	1779	**1731**
Daniel Stilwell	1779	**1638**
William Thurber	1779	**1619**
Tillinghast and Holroyd	1779	**1640**
Mrs. Mary Tripe	1779	**1714**
William Tyler	1779	**1737**
Henry Weeden	1779	**1732**
William Webb	1779	**1791**
Jacob Whitman	1779	**1781**
Abraham Whipple	1779	**1711**
John Whipple	1779	**1732**
Aaron Wright	1779	**1752**
for corn payable out of next tax see also *Bread Corn Distribution*		
John Brown C	1781	**2383**
Hezekiah Dayton	1781	**2371**
John Field C	1781	**2380**
Thomas Sabin	1781	**2374**
John Updike	1781	**2372**
Nathan Waterman C	1781	**2384**
for execution against town for taxes (apparently) for money to pay Clarke and Nightengale	1788	**4854**
for highway account repairs taken up under act of Oct. 18 1786 Stephen Randall S	1790	**5793**
Jeremiah Sayles S	1790	**5790**
repairs at Cat swamp for money advanced for Moses Brown	1782	**2824**
paving Back street Moses Brown	1784	**3083**
Meeting street John Brown	1784	**3194**
Moses Brown	1786	**3738**
around the market Low & Man S	1787	**4346**
New lane Moses Brown	1785	**3308**
generally resolution of June 2 1784 Welcome Arnold S	1784	**3209**
John Brown S	1784	**3505**
Clarke and Nightengale S	1784	**3181**
George Corlis S	1784	**3172**
Thomas Jenkins S	1784	**3229**
William Morris S	1784	**3182**
Thomas Sabin S	1784	**3272**

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Note for paving
resolution of Aug. 30 1785 Moses Brown S 1790 5664
Man and Lowe S 1790 5963
Baptist meeting house lane resolution authorizing 1785 3547
Moses Brown S 1785 3553 3554 3555 3556 3557 3558 3559 3560 3561 3562 3563 3564 3565 3566 3567 3568 3569 3570 3571 4302 5827 5828 5840
1786 3279 3739 3740 3741 4399 4400
resolution of town authorizing 1784 3223
of town council as to payments 1785 3465
to Zachariah Allen S 1785 3282 3283 3284 3285 3286 3587 3596 3610 3611 3612 3613 3614 3617 3618 3637 4617 4618 4619 4620 4621 4625 4672 4673 4674 4675 4676 4677 4678 4679 5414
to Daniel and Stephen Brayton S 1785 3358 3359 3360 3361 3362 3363 3364 3365 3366 3367 3368 3369 3636 4410
to Benjamin Comstock S 1785 3350 3352 3354 5777 5856 5886 5930
to Levi Hall S 1785 3349 3351 3605 3606 4339 4347 5482 5917 5918 5919 5920 5922 5923
to Michael and Joel Metcalf S 1785 3336 3337 3338 3339 3597 3598 3600 3615 3616 3635 3675 3676 3677 3678 3679 4338 4340 4342 4521 4522 4523 4524 4591 4592 4593 4594 5758 5800 5801 5802 5803 5805 5929 5938 5939
to Samuel Nightengale S 1785 3335
to Samuel Nightengale Jr 1785 3330 3331 3332 3333 3334 3603 3604 3619 5799 5804 5806 5807 5808 5809 5885
to John Smith S 1785 3289 3290 3291 3292 3293 3294 3295 3296 3297 3298 3299 3300 3301 3302 3594 3595 3601 3602 3607 3608 4737 4738 4741 4742 4743 5825
to Nehemiah Sweet S 1785 4538
to William and James Wheaton S 1785 4341
to Joseph and John Whipple S 1785 3371 3372 3373 3374 3375 3376 3377 3378 3379 3380 3381 3382 3383 3384 3385 3386 3387 3388 3389 3390 3391 3392 3393 3394 3395 3396 3397 3398 3399 3400 3401 3402 3403 3404 3405 3406 3407 3408 3409 3410 3411 3412 3413 3414 3415 3416 3417 3418 3620 3621 3622 3623 3624 3625 3626 3627 3628 3629 3630 3631 3632 3633 3634
to Samuel Young S 1785 3353 3599 3609 3700 4739 4740 4744 4745 5796 5829 5830

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memorandum received of J. Beverly 1781 2411 1785 3532
of Brown and Bensons 1785 3682
of Moses Browns 1785 3680
John Jenckes securities 1785 3681
paving of Michael and Joel Metcalf 1787 4596
as to paving 1788 4868
for orders against town taken up by resolution of Oct. 18 1786 David Brown S 1787 4493
Henry Bowen S 1787 4155 4272
Ephraim Carpenter S 1790 5792
Holroyd & Tillinghast S 1787 4517
John Sheldon S 1787 4431
John Walker S 1789 5077
by resolution no date given Dr. John Chace S 1790 5955
for poor by virtue of resolution of Oct. 18 1786 (see 4030)
for orders of overseer taken up William Brownell 1790 5447
Marcy Dailey S 1790 5787
Thomas Field S 1790 5924
Thomas Jones S 1787 4286 4321
Nathan Merrill S 1790 5421
Holliman Potter S 1790 5959
Mrs. Olive Tracy S 1790 5945
John Walker S 1790 5390 5935
for relief of poor Thomas L. Halsey S 1788 4838
for supplies for poor Lewis Peck S 1789 5092
by virtue of resolution of Jany 11 1787 for supplies Esek Aldrich S 1788 4723
David Anthony S 1787 4204
Welcome Arnold S 1788 4262 4701 4697 4699
Benjamin Bourn S 1788 4798
Smith Brown S 1787 4303
James Burrill S 1787 4430
Samuel Butler S 1788 4606
Clarke and Nightengale S 1788 4864
John Dorrance S 1787 4439
William Earle S 1787 4332
Nicholas Easton S 1787 4396
Esek Eddy S 1787 4298
Mr. Fitton S. 1787 4373
Amasa Gray S 1787 4309
Caleb Greene S 1787 4000
Hacker and Peck S 1787 4392
James Hammon S 1787 4395
Henry Hoffman S 1787 4324
John Holden S 1787 4300
Daniel Jackson S 1787 4304
Nathaniel Jacobs S 1787 4319

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Note for poor by virtue of resolution of Jan. 11, 1787

Gershom Jones S	1790	5551
Charles and John Lippitt S	1787	4544
David Martin S	1790	5847
Sylvanus Martin S	1787	4502
Aaron Mason S	1790	5861
John Mason S	1787	4435
Philip Pain S	1787	4481
Benoni Pearce S	1787	4305
Sanders Pitman S	1788	4616
Barzillai Richmond & Son S	1787	4334
Samuel Sampson S	1788	4602
William A. Sessions S	1787	4449
Archibald Stewart S	1787	4491
Benjamin Talbot S	1787	4393
Peter Taylor S	1787	4471
Robert Taylor S	1787	4394
Edward Thurber S	1787	4299
Gideon Young and Son S	1787	4403
Samuel Young	1787	4379
by virtue of resolutions where the object for which the notes were issued does not appear under a resolution the date of which is not given John P. and William Jones S	1787	4401
John Walker G	1781	2509
by virtue of resolution of Dec. 15 1780 Paul Allen G	1781	2340
Paul Allen H	1781	2470
Zephaniah Andrews H	1781	2344
Moses Brown G	1781	2582
Moses Brown H	1781	2583
Joseph Martin G	1781	2359
Abednego Potter H	1781	2329
James Snow G	1781	2336
Nathan Waterman G	1781	2361
by virtue of resolution of Jany 26 1781 Zephaniah Andrews S	1781	2366
Amos Atwell S	1781	2346
Jabez Bowen C	1781	2342
Joseph Brown C	1781	2476
Nicholas Brown C	1781	2343 2376
Charles Keen H	1781	2390
Charles Keen C	1781	2403
by virtue of resolution of March 3 1781 payable out of next tax Thomas Jones C	1781	2381
by virtue of resolution of April 17 1781 payable out of next tax Paul Allen H	1781	2417
Zephaniah Andrews H	1781	2422

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Note for poor by virtue of resolution of April 17, 1781
Joseph Brown H 1781 2475
Nicholas Brown H 1781 2420
Nicholas Power H 1781 2418
by virtue of resolution of June 4 1788 payable out of tax now making Amos Atwell S 1788 4904
by virtue of resolution of Oct. 25 1790 vote of town authorizing 1790 5759 5763
list of notes taken up under 1790 5760
Samuel Black S 1790 5817
Jesse Cooke S 1790 5891
Joseph Comstock S 1790 5928
Marcy Dailey S 1790 5902
Benjamin Dyer S 1790 5844
John Gonsolve S 1790 5816
Jonathan Greene S 1790 5815
Walker Harding S 1790 5567
Dr. Joseph Hewes S 1790 5839
Nicholas Hoppin S 1790 5977
Robert Newell S 1790 5888
Stephen Randall S 1790 5869
Jacob Whitman Jr S 1790 5903
for revolutionary expenses to purchase beef for the town quota of army supplies Dr. Jonathan Arnold S 1781 2399
to pay 100 silver dollars for 6000 continental ones received for enlisting men by the committee Welcome Arnold S 1780 2164
to furnish beef for the army Jabez Bowen H 1781 2352
for money advanced to pay soldiers wages for a tour of duty at Rhode Island in September Nicholas Brown S 1781 2542
for indemnity for money Brown and Power as a committee had borrowed from George Corlis on personal security to enable the town to raise quota Nicholas Brown G 1780 2033
Nicholas Power G 1780 2033
note of Brown and Power to George Corlis 1780 2284
for blankets for towns quota payable out of the first state tax William Viall H 1781 2456
for repairs of brick schoolhouse under resolution of Oct. 18 1786 Walter Harding S 1790 5968
for small pox hospital building Brown and Benson S 1787 4511
Joshua Lindley S 1787 4372 4526 4527
for treasury supplies Zephaniah Andrews G 1780 2219
Nathan Angell G 1780 2025
Welcome Arnold H 1781 2402
Welcome Arnold H 1780 2177

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Note for treasury supplies

Amos Atwell G 1780 2283
John Beverly G 1780 2094
Ephraim Bowen H 1781 2448
Jabez Bowen G 1780 2027
John James Clarke G 1780 2027
John Demount G 1780 2027
Jabez Bowen G 1780 2034
John James Clarke G 1780 2034
John Demount G 1780 2034
Ichabod Brown H 1780 2029
Brown and Frances S 1789 5253
Samuel Butler G 1780 2035
Samuel Chace G 1780 2162
Clarke and Nightengale S 1789 5254
Arthur Fenner G 1780 2043
Josiah Gifford G 1780 2024
Joseph Martin G 1780 2039
Joseph and William Russell H 1780 2065
Thomas Sabin G 1780 2023
Edward Spalding G 1780 2026
Archibald Stewart G 1781 2316
Daniel Stillwell G 1780 2291
Thurston and Jenkins 1780 2163
of Nicholas Brown to Anthony Kinnicut G 1780 2082 2084
to be paid out of the next town tax Welcome Arnold S 1781 2444
Welcome Arnold C 1781 2385
Amos Atwell S 1781 2445
Arthur Fenner G 1781 2480
John Fitton C 1781 2377
Powers and Rogers S 1781 2506
William Wheaton G 1781 2595
to be paid out of tax now making John Brown S 1781 2488
Nicholas Brown S 1781 2450
to be paid out of tax now assessed Zephaniah Andrews S 1782 2641
to be paid out of tax now ordered Benjamin and Joseph Comstock S 1781 2469
Jabez Bowen 1781 2449
Nicholas Brown 1781 2447
to be paid when money enough in treasury Ebenezer Thompson 1776 1102
to town treasurer Asa Franklin 1772 463
on account of small pox Jonathan Brownell 1777 1331
Vespatian Miller 1778 1455

Notice from Martha Crondon to Richard Brown not to harbor Cæsar 1754 14725

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Notice
of warning that ordinance against retailing goods without license will be enforced 1778 **1507**
to tavern keepers from town council 1778 **1528**
Notification to town council John Adye as to woman from East Greenwich 1774 **624**
Barnard Eddy as to John Ingraham and wife from Bristol 1775 **849**
Theodore Foster as to Augustus Peck and family 1775 **852**
Timothy Fuller as to sundry persons 1775 **812**
James Hill as to James Morrel 1775 **749**
Richard Lewis as to Ann Tyler from Cranston 1774 **659**
Noah Smith as to Ane Moltman of Boston 1774 **717**
Edward Spalding as to Anna Coffin from Newport 1778 **1459**
William Tyler as to John Harris from Boston 1775 **758**
Ephraim Bowen as to John Morrow a negro man who came with the French army and "hath a mind to marry my negro woman" 1783 **2863**
Obituary John Aplin 1772 **14758**
Godfrey Malbone 1772 **14759**
Old Tenor value of in lawful money 1768 **405**
in taxes 1768 **403**
Order as to payment for ringing bell, see *Bell*
as to bridges, see *Bridge*
as to bread corn, see *Bread Corn Distribution*
as to disorderly woman, see *Disorderly Woman*
as to subscription to college, see *College*
as to highway matters, see *Highway*
on James Arnold paymaster, see *Revolution*
as to market house, see *Market House*
as to paper money issues, see *Paper Money Bank*
for support of poor, see *Poor*
for support of poor of Newport, see *Revolution*
as to revolution, see *Revolution*
as to distribution of salt, see *Salt*
as to school houses, see *School and School Houses*
as to small pox, see *Small Pox*
as to taxation, see *Taxes*
as to town treasurer, see *Town Treasurer*
as to vagrants, see *Vagrancy Proceedings*
as to work house estate, see *Work House Estate*
made in council of war as to conduct of inhabitants of town 1777 **1168**
on private persons John Thurber on James Angell in favor of bearer 1789 **5126**
R. Murray on Mr. Anthony in favor of Joe 1786 **4003**
James Arnold to be charged to meeting house, see *Baptist Meeting House*
by Aldolph et Lion favor Mons De Luce 1 bale osnabergs 1782 **2617**

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Order on James Arnold
by Amos Allen favor of bearer 1767 407 1773 575 577 582 584 589 601 1774 618 632 635 640 646 689 1775 776 808 815 821 1777 1121 1182 1778 1416
of Elias Calnder 1775 806
of Mr. Potter 1773 596
Zephaniah Andrews favor of bearer 1773 583
John Antin 1773 550 1776 587
John Anthony favor of Michael Anthony 1780 2295
Benjamin Aplin favor of Britton Salsterion 1788 4937
John Aplin favor of bearer 1774 699 704
Joseph Arnold favor of bearer 1773 513 576 1774 654 682 1775 839
of Miss Downer 1773 586
of William Green 1774 667
of Tom Hawes 1774 671
of William Hines 1774 665
of Sam Mitchell 1774 623
of William White 1773 588
Isaac Backus favor of bearer 1784 3239
Solomon Bradford favor of bearer 1773 539
Robert Briggs favor of bearer 1773 560
Cudge Brown favor of Alis White 1788 4942
Joseph Brown favor of Samuel Westcoat 1774 705 1775 853
of Nathaniel Wheaton 1775 836
Nicholas Brown favor of Benjamin Man 1776 881
Rebecca Brown favor of bearer 1773 522
Richard Bullock favor of John Field 1790 5652
John Chace favor of bearer 1783 2862
Hezekiah Cooke favor of bearer 1785 3467
of Nicholas Cooke 1785 3728
William Compton favor of Josiah Gifford 1773 534
Samuel Coy favor of bearer 1774 647 651 653 660 673 676
Coy & Waterman favor of Christopher Sheldon 1773 591
William Cozzens favor of bearer 1775 753
Christopher Crapon favor of Joseph Peck 1781 2598
of Thomas Bennet 1784 3251
Eliphaz Day favor of bearer 1775 759
Stephen Dexter favor of Christmas the truckman 1789 5101
A. Fenner Jr favor of Collewillo 1783 2940
Asa Franklin favor of bearer 1788 4900
Josiah Gifford favor of bearer 1775 857
Hudson J. Goodwin favor of Gabriel Allen 1788 5028
Jonathan Hammon favor of bearer 1779 1667

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Order on James Arnold
by Stephen Harris favor of Rose Young 1787 4251
S. Hartshorn favor of "this man" 1773 569
Edward Hawkins favor of bearer 1773 493
of James Dyre 1773 515 531
Hope Hawkins favor of bearer 1784 3137 3228
of Susanna Gavit 1783 2925
of Samuel Hollowell 1784 3171
of Jemima Hubbard 1783 2924
of Elizabeth Morgan 1785 3732
of Israel Pearce 1785 3445
of Obadiah Robertson 1783 2929
of Stephen Simons 1784 3091
Samuel Hill favor of Anthony Perry 1773 536
Jemima Hubbard favor of bearer 1774 690 692 702
Robert Hudson favor of bearer 1785 14538 1787 4398
Thomas P. Ives favor of Joseph Davenport 1788 4969
Richard Jackson favor of William Earle 1775 756
Wilson Jacobs favor of bearer 1773 551 580 581
Amos Lawrence favor of William Compton 1780 2294
David Lopez favor of John Saber 1778 1545
Aaron Man favor of bearer 1775 782
James Manning favor of John Alexander 1784 3071
B. Olivieux favor of bearer 1780 2290 1781 2364
Hezekiah Olney favor of bearer 1786 4047
Nathaniel Packard favor of Peter Norton 1775 862
Power and Tillinghast favor of William Whipple 1780 3660
Bulkely Prescott favor of bearer 1773 519
of Phineas Brown 1773 518
Elihu Robinson favor of Richard Seaver 1778 1372
of John Duncan 1778 1377
of Major Flagg 1778 1394
of John Gonsolve 1778 1390
of John Griffis 1778 1370
of Benjamin Hoppin 1778 1368
of Joshua Sayer 1778 1393
Aaron Seamans favor of bearer 1787 4214
Martin Seamans favor of ——— 1773 557
of Mrs. Mason 1773 549
of Jonathan Peckham 1773 545
William Seamans favor of Nehemiah Cole 1774 644
of Mrs. Rebecca Lippitt 1774 633
of Abel Martin 1774 664
of Seth Phillips 1773 570
of Anne Power 1774 666
of John Rogers 1787 4215
Earle J. Sheldon favor of bearer 1787 4110

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Order on James Arnold
by Christopher Smith favor of bearer 1775 801
D. Smith favor of Thomas Wright 1775 822
John Smith favor of Martin Seamans 1778 1436
of bearer 1773 553
John Smith Jr favor of bearer 1774 672
John Smith 3d favor of bearer 1774 680
Joseph Smith favor of bearer 1773 489
Samuel Snow favor of bearer 1778 1557
Matthew Sweet favor of bearer 1775 637
David Tefft favor of bearer 1782 2734
Daniel Tillinghast favor of John Burroughs 1775 802
John Walker favor of Elizabeth French 1784 3261
of Lydia Walk 1785 3457
Amos Warner favor of bearer 1788 4642 4726
Amos Weeks favor of bearer 1774 670 677
Christopher Whipple favor of bearer 1772 450
Benjamin Whipple favor of Mary Whipple 1782 2701
John Whipple favor of bearer 1783 2932
of bearer 1783 3019
of Ephraim Whipple 1783 3003
of George Walding 1783 2834
Gideon Young favor of P. M. Tillinghast 1774 648
of Richard Olney on friend Arnold 1774 722
Joseph Park on Mr. Arnol to bearer 1774 737
Philip Sweet on Squire Arnold to bearer 1786 4062
John Walker on Mr. Arnold to bearer 1784 3210
Justice Brown Stephen Carpenter in favor of bearer 1765 14747
on Richard Brown Nathaniel Eddy in favor of Valentine Whitman 1742–3 14690
William Earle and Co. Amos Briant in favor of Dennis O. Briant 1775 796
Mrs. Lawrence A. Fenner in favor of Henry Bowen 1789 5228
Sylvanus Martin John FitzGerald in favor of West & Tillinghast 1783 14841
town clerk John Dexter in favor of bearer 1773 578
Doctor Wells James Brown in favor of Mr. Kinne 1775 814
——— Bulkelay Prescott in favor of Mrs. Crowford 1772 516
George Sigden in favor of bearer 1790 14597
Paper Money Bank bond of Daniel Abbott to Jeremiah Brown to keep certain land on the neck free from any incumbrance of the colony bank 1722 14649
of 1729 bond of Jeremiah Brown to trustees to repay issue 1729 14668 14669
of 1733 bond of Joseph Brown to general treasurer to secure issue 1733 14686

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Paper Money Bank of 1733
bond of Samuel Killton to Trustees for colony to repay issue 1733 **14679**
mortgage by Joseph Brown to trustees to secure issue 1733–4 **14701**
discharge of same 1746 **14701**
mortgage by William Brown to trustees to secure issue 1734 **14761**
discharge of same 1773 **14761**
of 1738–9 bonds of Richard Brown to general treasurer to secure issue 1738–9 **14683** **14684**
of 1744 bonds of Richard Brown to general treasurer to secure issue 1744 **14720**
bonds of Richard Brown to trustees to secure issue 1744 **14697**
mortgage to trustees to secure issue by Ephraim Carpenter 1744 **14004**
of 1786 act of general assembly authorizing 1786 **14567**
report of committee to general assembly 1786 **3912**
certified copy of act as to trustees fees 1786 **3911**
certified copy of act as to duties of trustees 1786 **4108**
bill of Bennett Wheeler against town for printing proceedings of town on the test law 1788 **4707**
of town clerk against trustees for recording mortgages 1787 **4176**
bond of trustees of to general treasurer 1786 **3825**
taking up same 1787 **4177**
bills of sale of rights to take out money in, see Transfers of Rights under this title
certificate by town clerk of North Providence as to deed from Esek Hopkins to trustees 1786 **4032**
by town clerk of Providence as to real estate of persons entitled to take out money in
Benjamin Allen 1786 **3831**
Joseph Allen 1786 **3948**
Paul Allen 1786 **3952** **4071** **4128**
Thomas Angell 1786 **3860**
Alfred Arnold 1786 **3931**
Christopher Arnold 1786 **3922**
Christopher Arnold *et al* 1786 **3897**
Mrs. Elizabeth Arnold 1786 **4042**
James Arnold 1786 **3921**
Jonathan Arnold *et als* 1786 **4070**
Joseph Arnold 1786 **4048**
Nehemiah Arnold 1786 **4130** **3833**
Owen Arnold 1786 **3909**
Welcome Arnold *et als* 1786 **4070**
William Ashton *et als* 1786 **4037**
Nehemiah Arnold 1787 **4130**

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Paper Money Bank of 1786 certificate as to real estate of

Amos Atwell	1786	3993
Ebenezer Averil	1786	3866
Henry Bacon	1786	3848
Thomas Bennet	1786	3946
Samuel Black	1786	3938
Jonathan Bourne	1786	3958
Benjamin Bowen	(1787)	4129
Ephraim Bowen *et als*	1786	3943
Esek Bowen *et als*	1786	3871
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William Bowen	1786	4084
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Ichabod Brown	1786	3989
Peleg Brown	1786	3874
Phineas Brown	1786	3954
Richard Brown	1786	3894
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Stephen Hartshorn	1786	3842
Edward Hawkins	1786	3854
Recompense Healy	1786	4039
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Philip Horsewell	1786	3882
Richard Hoyle	1786	3858
Simon Ingraham	1786	3987
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Pardon Mason	1786	3867
Philip Martin	1786	4051
Ralph Merry	1786	3990
Josiah Miller	1786	3850
John Nichols	1786	3928
Christopher Olney	1786	3923
George Olney	1786	3907
Jonathan Olney	1786	3925
Nehemiah Olney	1786	3856
John Ormsbee	1786	3853
Nathaniel Packard	1786	3870
Benoni Pearce	1786	3936
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Eleazer Peck	1786	3841
Peter Penno	1786	3883
Thomas Perry	1786	3919
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James Pettey	1786	4009
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William Randall	1786	4027	
Grindal Reynolds	1786	3878	
William Rhodes	1786	3964	
Henry Rice	1786	3926	
Barzelai Richmond	1786	3935	
Thomas Rone	1786	4007	
James Sabin	1786	3899	
Thomas Sabin	1786	3908	
Charles Sampson *et als*	1786	3889	
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Jonathan Sotan	1786	3857	
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John Keene by Pardon Mason	1786	3867
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Henry Rice by John Carter	1786	3884
James Sabin by Jonathan Donneson	1786	3904
Job Smith by William Drown	1786	15083
Joseph Snow by Joseph Potter	1786	3942
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Joseph Snow Jr by Daniel Snow	1786	3888
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by Joseph Comstock	1786	3864
by John Howland	1786	3868
by Lewis Peck	1786	3873
John Pettey by Daniel Pettey	1786	3972
Reuben Potter by Charles Sampson	1786	3889
William Randall by John T. Sheldon *et als*	1786	4036
William Rhodes by Richard Fenner Jr	1786	3963
James Sabin by Elijah Bacon	1786	3900
by Samuel Westcott	1786	3998
Joseph Snow by Samuel Black	1786	3932
by John Nichols	1786	3928
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John O. Waterman by John Clifford 1786 3843
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William Brownell by Thomas Williams 1786 4026
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Nathaniel Jacobs by William Jacobs 1786 3983
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Pero Brown (negro) to Comfort Barden coffin 1780 **1880**
to Peggy Bowler board 1779 **1679**
to Marcy Mitchell supplies 1779 **1858** 1780 **1870**
to Jeffrey Turpin grave and burying 1780 **1883**
Ruth Brown support 1778 **1503 1508 1513 1524**
Samuel Burges to George Linit digging grave 1777 **1155**
Joseph Burkes wife to William Snow supplies 1784 **3101**
to Recompense Healy coffin 1784 **3105**
to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1784 **3106**
Peggy Burr's child to Francis Cisco keeping 1776 **1063** 1777 **1235**
Abigail Carr support 1787 **4194**
John Cambridg to Miriam Burch support 1782 **2626 2636**
to Mrs. Abigail Obrian support 1782 **2627**
Lydia Casey to bearer 1773 **504**
Mrs. Chaffey *et al* to bearer support 1781 **2603**
Ann Chatty to Deborah Smith support 1776 **998**
Mary Chease to Hannah Mason providing and nurseing 1781 **2473**
Cisco to bearer 1775 **744**
Mr. Clarke to James Greene keeping 1775 **854**
Mrs. Mary Clarke to Mrs. Anna Clarke support 1779 **1820**
to Jonathan Clarke support 1776 **973** 1777 **1143** 1778 **1401**
to Mrs. Hannah Read board and nursing 1780 **1986**
Anna (Nancy) Clarkson to Sarah Dobson support 1777 **1287** 1778 **1369**
Sarah Clarkson to John Teel's wife support 1778 **1511 1536**
Thomas Connor to Recompense Healy coffin 1784 **3092**
to Jeffrey Turpin grave 1784 **3078**
John Creed to Peregrine Foster support 1788 **4939**
Polly Creed to Mrs. Mary (or Marcy) Creed support 1784 **3225 3254** 1785 **3345 3448 3470 3539 3729** 1786 **3800 3811 4021** 1787 **4111 4170 4191 4361 4364 4513 4514** 1788 **4603 4721 4794 4846**
Mrs. Crow support 1776 **952**
to Ezekiel Burr support 1776 **930**
John Dehoritz to James Currie for carrying him to Boston 1785 **3312**
Mrs. Marcy Dexter wood etc. 1788 **5064**
Mr. Donnel support 1754 **3067**
Elizabeth Donneson to bearer clothing 1782 **2756**
to Abijah Ford board 1771 **14988**
to Mrs. Hope Hawkins board and clothing 1778 **1413 1538** 1779 **1692 1809 1832** 1780 **1879 1952 2087 2265** 1781 **2463 2563** 1782 **2679 2730 2761** 1783 **2898 2953** 1784 **3130 3165** 1785 **3659 3661 3662 3664** 1786 **3761** 1787 **4145 4162 4218 4268 4470** 1788 **4662 4663 4751 4880 4977 4978 4979 5020 5044** 1789 **5133**

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Poor order of overseer for Elizabeth Donneson
to Dr. Job Hawkins board 1777 1282 1778 1414 1539
to Charles Holden shoes 1788 4686
to John Hunt support 1790 5449
to Samuel Young for cloth 1787 4380
James Dorothy support 1790 5755 5756 5775 5855 5867 5943
Nabby Driskill support 1781 2430
to Recompense Healy coffin 1781 2453
Nabby Driskills two children Ruth Mitchell support 1781 2481 2487 2494
Esther Drown support 1786 3949
Esther Drown and child support 1786 3998
Esther Drown's child support 1786 4005 4043 4079 4080
1787 4117 4138 4151 4158 4183 4199 4310 4358 4445 4528
4571 1788 4635 4664 4719 4792 4839 4858 4935 5039 5053
1789 5071 5084 5094 5105 5114 5122 5139 5145 5148 5163
5175 5193 5209 5210 5230 5231 5245 5258 5259 5264 5265
5272 5276 5287 5293 5295 5310 5311 5324 5346 5368 5370
1790 5425 5426 5469 5471 5491 5492 5553 5570 5571 5589
5590 5601 5602 5613 5614 5660 5694 5944
Esther Drown's children support 1790 5524 5643 5675
5711 5774 5752
John Drown wood 1788 4908
Catharine Dunbar shoes and expense of travel 1777 1272
John Dunbar to Sarah Friend keeping 1778 1382 1444 1473
1479 1484 1509 1518 1541 1564 1779 1574
Sarah Dunbar cloth 1785 3651
shoes etc. 1786 4010
clothing 1787 4230 4582 1788 4841 4893 1789 5076
support 1788 4832 4874 4901 4911 4932 4940 4999 5031
5052 1789 5099 5154 5188 5224 5278 5312 1790 5452
5529 5572 5632 5677 5736
to Sarah Fuller support 1784 3093 3096 3113 3128 3142
3207 3270
Robert Taylor cloth 1787 4536
Mrs. Susannah Walker support 1785 3453 3481 3503 3640
3671 1786 3747 4069 4086 4087 4088 4089 1787 4139 4143
4167 4184 4287 4320 4360 4446 4567 1788 4667 4718 4777
4797
Daniel Dunwell wood 1784 3095
Dorcas Nancy to William Holroyd coffin 1780 1877
Comfort Eddy wood 1786 4102
Anne Ellis widow support 1777 1328 1778 1442
Anne Ellis' children to Anne Ellis, 1779 1784 1780 1928 2259
Comford Ephraim Mary Mitchel support 1783 2841
Elizabeth Feeley 1790 5951
Mr. Field to John Holden for cloth 1787 4147
Arthur Field to Daniel Box board 1789 5247

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Poor order of overseer for

James Field to Esek Eddy support and nursing 1788 5034 5054
Michael Field his wife being sick 1785 3573
wood 1785 3307
meal and necessaries 1786 3767
support till Monday 1786 4060
half bushel corn 1788 4749
support 1789 5203
Henry Bowen clothing 1789 5192
William Fletcher Joshua Smith support 1779 1659 1674 1775
Ruth Fisk board 1776 972 1030 1087
1777 1142 1252 1274 1340 1778 1427 1502 1779 1651 1655
1729 1742 1772 1819 1837 1860 1780 2233 2256 1781 2423
2424 2425 2460 2498 2541 2558 1782 2628 2646 2674 2711
2725 2748 2791 2813 1783 2892 2904 2954 2997 3031 3045
1784 3058 3080 3099 3116 3129 3152 3168 3195 3214 3226
3252 1785 3446 3455 3471 3486
clothing 1784 3139
to bearer wood 1781 2524
to Abner Butler support 1785 3508
to Charles Colwell board 1782 2642
to Mrs. Dickey support 1779 1703
to Daniel Fenner board 1780 1887 1893
to Ruth Fisk daughter board 1774 662 1775 799
1778 1441 1565 1779 1571
to William Henderson support 1783 2948
to William Hopkins support 1783 2917
to Mrs. Stephen Hubbard support 1774 663 711a
to Charles Lippett flannel 1788 4705
to Philip Martin supplies 1785 3507
to Eliakim Phetteplace support 1781 2354 2515 2516
to Jonathan Pike, support 1779 1599
to Samuel Smith cloth shoes 1786 3792
to Nathaniel Sprague, boarding 1783 2858
to Ruth Starbord boarding 1780 1901 1921 1953 1965 1976
2089 2154 2159 2185
to Benjamin Whipple support 1776 924 959
to Thomas Whipple support 1775 809 1776 876
to Ebenezer White board 1783 2968 2970
to John Williams board 1783 2853 2870
Michael Fowle to Nicholas Frederick grave 1789 5179
to John Holdin board 1788 5043 5051 5056 5067
1789 5074 5082
to Susanna Walker board and nursing 1789 5125 5143
5146 5147 5164 5205
Priscilla Foster support 1780 1866 1898 1781 2412
Esmerillon Fuller to Benjamin Cozzens grave clothes 1790 5621
to Uriah Hopkins grave for him and child 1790 5623

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Poor order of overseer for Esmerillon Fuller
to Aaron Mason grave clothes 1790 5620
Esmerillon Fuller and wife to Stephen Randall medical 1790 5640
Esmerillon Fullers wife and children to self support 1784 3243
Richard Fuller to Mrs. Ann Fuller support 1783 2951
1784 3059 3237
to Recompense Healy coffin 1784 3092
to William Sims tolling bell 1784 3065
to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1784 3064
Sarah Fuller widow wood 1786 4096
Libeus Gabbit to Catherine Bettes support 1782 2749 2757 2766
Dennis Gibben to help him journey home 1782 2743
to Mr. Fuller support 1782 2741
to Thomas Tate support 1782 2742
Mrs. Gideon to bearer wood 1782 2640
Sarah Gleason and family supplies 1776 1091
Wait Godfreys child to Mrs. Moss board and clothing 1783 3016
Wait Godfreys son to Elizabeth Mors board 1783 3036
Wait Godfreys children to Elizabeth Morse board 1783 2914
2930 2944 2964
to John Sheldon tow cloth 1783 2922
Ann Grainger's children to Ann Grainger support 1788 4633
Joshua Ingraham Grainger to Joshua Ingraham support 1788 4752 4918 5030 1789 5214
to Simon Ingraham support 1789 5309 1790 5588
Sarah Griffith wood 1788 5063 1789 5124
1790 5430 5539
Mr. Hall to James Walker support 1787 4165
James Weltch support 1786 4085 4105
Jonathan Hammon support 1788 4636 4710
4764 4938 4953 4966 4974 4980 5006 5011 5016 5026 5057
1789 5106 5149 5157 5303 5323 1790 5428 5484 5532 5591
5748 5769 5770 5934
Widow Hanes to Daniel Branch digging grave 1786 4095
Hannah Hartshorn to Amos Atwell support 1771 14982
1772 483
to Field Dailey support 1769 14979 1770 14980
1771 14991 14992 15023 1772 15041 15044 1773 480 487
492 514 523 533 546 1774 609 645 708 1775 792 793 795
797 834 1776 873 955 968 1024 1053 1779 1579
to Marcy Dailey support 1776 1093 1777 1131 1236 1275
1324 1341 1778 1365 1406 1483 1779 1577 1691 1846 1780
1918 1966 2245 1781 2408 2562 2587 1782 2644 2708 2762
1783 2839 2856 2882 2949 1784 3156 3160 1785 3451 3546
3548 1787 4365 4367 1788 4729 1789 5358 1790 5914
5915

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Poor order of overseer for Hannah Hartshorn
to Mrs. Archibald Stewart support 1788 3822
Jeremiah Hawkins widow support 1790 5483
William Hawkins to Henry Bowen clothing 1789 5192
to Holroyd & Tillinghast cloth 1789 5189
to Hezekiah Olney board 1790 5546 5921
John Holden and wife to Benjamin Tabour house room and firewood 1790 5965
Wynne Hone wood 1789 5377
Thomas Hooker (or Hocker) to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1786 4094
to Comfort Wheaton coffin 1786 4093
Oliver Hoppin William Walker care of 1785 3501
to Joseph Whittemore digging grave and funeral 1785 3492
Jemima Hubbard Ruth Fisk support 1779 1850
wood 1780 1864
Mary Hugans 1782 2777
Edward Hunt wood and support 1784 3262 3275 1785 3323 3436 1786 3775 1788 4703 1789 5131 1790 5438 5550 5742
blanket for wife 1790 5740
to Benjamin Hoppin wood 1784 3057
Thomas Huston to Rachel Gardenner care of 1775 785
Daniel Jack to William Wheaton 2d transporting home to North Carolina 1788 5066
Mary Jackson to Abigail Carr support 1780 1974
Jeremiah Jenkes child to Mrs. Phebe White board and nursing 1778 1540
John Jones support 1788 4644
John Jones family to John Jones support 1789 5162
One Johnson to Oliver Carpenter tending 1781 2486
John Kinslow to George Allen passage to New York 1790 5540
Abram Kipp to help him back to his native country 1788 5004
Robert Newell supporting Kipp and wife 1788 4712
winding sheet 1788 5018
Thomas Piggon care of 1788 5014
Daniel Spencer carriage to grave 1788 5015
Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1788 5019
digging grave for wife 1788 4711
Amos Lawrences wife and children to Mrs. Phebe Babcock support 1789 5225
to Louis Bosworth support 1788 4905 5007
to Mrs. Compton support 1788 4627 4657 4704 4763 4789 4817 4855 4883 1790 5859
to Mrs. Phebe Lawrence support 1788 4233
to wife of Amos Lawrence support 1788 4964
to Widow Lawrence support 1788 4750

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Poor order of overseer for

Abner Lealand support 1777 1325 1778 1504
Abner Lealands family to Aaron Mason support 1778 1488
Abner Lealands wife to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1778 1490
James Lee to Peggy Gardner board 1790 5530
Edward Semming towards journey to Philadelphia 1790 5577
Thomas Lindseys family to Thomas Lindsey support 1784 3052 3056 3068 3090
Thomas Lindsey support 1787 4322 4348 4359 4376
to Benjamin Allen coffin 1787 4404
to Caleb Greene shoes 1787 4598
to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1787 4405
Wealthy Lindsey to Mrs. Wealthy Lindsey support 1786 3784 3796 3820 4073 1787 4174 4237 4437 1788 4769 5040
to self 1787 4378
Mrs. Lindsey to Jonathan Hill support 1790 5950
John Lisher to Sarah Doson keeping 1777 1281 1338 1778 1369 1424 1510
Mrs. Lisher wood 1780 1865
Benjamin Low blacksmith to self support 1783 2846 1788 5046 1789 5093 5142 5180
wood 1783 2836 1788 4709 1789 5113
to Henry Bowen flannel shirt 1787 4483 1788 5003
to Charles Holden clothing 1785 3347
to Joseph Tillinghast clothing 1785 3733
Benjamin Lows wife to Recompense Healey coffin 1783 2888
to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1783 2880
Mary Lunt Mowry Potter support 1776 884
Mrs. Makentosh support 1773 500
Jane McCoyl support 1789 5238
John McNeal to Tillinghast & Holroyd cloth 1777 1283
to Mrs. Young work for 1776 1038
Neal McNeal support 1778 1440 1779 1698 1706 1710 1725 1728 1744 1751 1768 1774 1785 1790 1793 1795 1801 1807 1808 1810 1814 1815 1816 1821 1822 1825 1828 1830 1833 1840 1848 1852 1853 1780 1940 1945 1951 1956 1960 1969 1973 1975 1987 1992 2001 2003 2047 2080 2098 2146 2150 2152 2158 2160 2167 2174 2179 2184 2189 2217 2222 2226 2232 2242 2253 2258 2264 2266 2273 2280
to Paul Allen clothing 1778 1554
to Comfort Ephraim washing etc. 1781 2300
to Daniel Fenner board 1780 1887 1893 1920 1932 1944
to Coomer Hale shoes 1776 1052 1778 1485
to Joseph Hawkins board 1779 1649 1657 1735 1736 1767
going to Gloucester 1780 2286
to Samuel May board 1781 2388 2405
to Marcy Mitchell supplies 1779 1858 1780 1870

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Poor order of overseer for Neal McNeal
to Benjamin Waterman board 1780 1869
Michael McFowley to John Holden board 1788 5013 5035
Ann Manchester support 1776 957 969
house rent 1776 1233
to bearer house rent 1776 1094
to Benjamin Robinson house rent 1776 1037
Parmala Mannings child to Parmala Manning support 1781 2523 2604
Pardon Mawneys child to Elizabeth Corps support 1775 810 842 1776 904 975
to Joseph Corps support 1776 997
David Martin 1778 1402
William Martins family to Aaron Mason supplies 1788 4754
Noah Mason support 1786 3799
Samuel Maverick to Recompense Healy coffin 1784 3092
to Mrs. Jane Johnson support 1783 2982 2995 3000 3009 3017 3028 3038 3046 3050
to Mrs. Phebe Pool support 1783 2962 2980
to Dr. Thomas Truman, medical 1784 3104
to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1784 3064
John Meloyds children to Margaret Rounds support 1786 4082
Anne Miller to Isaac Corey digging grave 1776 1057
Marcy Mitchell wood 1785 3306 3441
Ruth Mitchell support of sick child 1779 1818
to Recompense Healy coffin for child 1780 1894
to Levi Burr supplies 1780 1948 1955 1959 1972
to Sarah Mathewson nursing 1780 1999
Sarah Mitchel to Fran Cisco digging grave 1777 1235
Luce Molton to Nicholas Branch coffin 1784 3190
Freelove Morehead to Richard Spears support 1771 14981 1772 15046
to John Walker support 1771 14985 15030 1772 449 1773 482 590 1775 750 867 869 1777 1171 1778 1405 1787 4121 4375 4579
boarding and clothing 1772 15042 1779 1769 1781 2298 1787 4252
Prudence Morehead support 1779 1683 1708 1750
to Comfort Barden coffin 1780 1915
to Joseph Martin support 1779 1590 1764
to Marcy Snow support 1779 1787 1800 1811 1817 1826 1851 1780 1863 1881 1895 1912 2358
to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1780 1914
Widow Morehead support 1779 1652
Pashoner Mumford to Joseph Martin coffin 1776 1090
Suer Nolcar to Joseph Whittemore digging grave and tolling bell 1784 3206

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Poor order of overseer for

Rose Norton to Francis Sisco digging grave 1776 **1043**
Benjamin Olney to Recompense Healy coffin 1782 **2784**
to Ruth Mitchel supplies 1782 **2759** **2770** **2780**
to Ruth Thurber supplies 1782 **2765**
Deborah Olney supplies 1787 **4551**
Elizabeth Olney to Jonathan Jenkes supplies 1779 **1690** **1833**
1780 **1943** 1781 **2599** 1782 **2629** 1783 **2971** 1785 **3278**
1787 **4136**
Henrietta Olney to Freelove Temple support 1790 **5549**
Henrietta Olneys child to Freelove Temple support 1790 **5594** **5731**
Sarah Olney to Mrs. Indicia Cushing support 1776 **1073**
1777 **1226**
to Joseph Hawkins digging grave and winding sheet 1777 **1227**
to Joseph Martin coffin 1777 **1223**
Sarah Olney to Ruth Mitchel supplies 1782 **2780** **2788**
Elizabeth Oxley to Francisco digging grave 1776 **933**
to Joseph Martin coffin 1776 **931**
A—— Peve to Daniel Spencer services 1788 **4634**
Thomas Phelpes to John Williams support 1787 **4142**
William Pomeroy to self expenses to Boston 1790 **5691**
to Thomas Sabin carrying to Boston 1790 **5692**
Mrs. Lydia Potter to self support 1786 **4122**
to Zephaniah Brown supplies 1787 **4124**
Mrs. Lydia Potters family to S. Potter support 1786 **4097**
Widow Prescot to Robert Dickey boarding and moving 1776 **962**
Widow Prescot and sick child to Robert Dickey keeping 1776 **958**
Widow (Mary) Randal to Sarah Marshal board 1783 **2899**
to John Walker support 1783 **2906** **3011** 1784 **3066**
Amy Read to Elizabeth Phillips support 1789 **5304**
Amy Read and child to Philip Tillebor support 1789 **5321** **5329**
Sigbee Richmond to Pleasant Hitch support 1787 **4317**
to Daniel Spencer coffin and carriage to grave 1787 **4454**
to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave and burying 1787 **4451**
Jenny Rodman to Rose Horton support 1776 **984**
James Robinson support 1785 **3794**
to John Tillinghast passage to New York 1787 **4507**
Margaret Rounds children to M. Rounds support 1783 **3010**
1787 **4159** 1788 **4609** **4706**
Margaret Rounds child to Ruth Piper support 1788 **4747**
Benjamin Sampson to Nathaniel Jacobs supplies 1790 **5416**
Benjamin Sampson's family to Amos Atwell support 1788 **4816**
Sarah Scranton for services as a midwife 1780 **1886**

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Poor order of overseer for Sarah Scranton
to Abednego Potter support and clothes 1771 15018 15021
1774 636 1775 777 1776 897 919 1777 1158 1276
1778 1417 1779 1876 1781 2328 2378 2427 1782 2809
1783 2850 3033 1785 3326 3642
to Holliman Potter support and clothes 1779 1611 1689
1847 1861 1787 4212
to Meshack Potter support and clothes 1787 4469
1788 4996 1789 5218 5240 5281
Sarah Scranton's children to George Brown support 1771 15020
tow cloth 1783 3029
Margaret Scranton to Obadiah Blanding support 1775 784 833
to Mrs. Scranton support 1780 1939
to Benedict Tabor coffin and burying 1783 3013
to Abiel Weaver support 1783 2912 2919 2931
Margaret Scranton's child to Obadiah Blanding
support 1771 14986 1772 15039
to Mary Bradford support 1783 2920 2983 1784 3069
to Mrs. Sarah Scranton support 1780 1962
Benjamin Sessions support 1790 5385
Elizabeth Shields self wood 1790 5941
Betsey Shoomakers child to Daniel Branch digging
grave and attending funeral 1786 4067
Simses family to John Hathaway carrying to New-
port 1785 3654
Benjamin Sisson wood 1790 5872
John Skirms to Charles Holden shirt 1788 4687
to Charles and John Lippitt clothing 1787 4140
to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1788 4683
Joseph Smeeton support 1780 1884 2000 2004
2050 2081 2097 2147 2149 2153 2157 2161 2169 2173 2178 2183
2188 2191 2218 2221 2228 2234 2241 2252 2257 2263 2267 2276
2279 2293 1783 2866 2871 2879 2883 2889 2896
to Mrs. Mary Smeeton support 1780 1906 1781 2396 2474
wood 1781 2299
Mrs. Bridget Smith support 1785 3429
wood 1785 3468
Joseph Smith to Ephraim Carpenter support 1788 5009
to Ephraim Clemens support 1786 4081 1787 4349
Joshua Smith's daughter support 1786 3997
Joshua Smith's family support 1788 4622
to Pardon Bowen medical 1787 4112
Sarah Smith to Sarah Fuller support 1784 3055
Thomas Smith to Daniel Davenport shoes 1790 5457
Mr. Smith and family to help him out of town 1786 3744
Ann Spindelo to Mrs. Betsy Bickford support 1788 4791 4806
Abigail Spooner lying in charges 1780 1891
to Elizabeth Potter services 1780 1897

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Poor order of overseer for
Abigail Spooner and child to A. Spooner support 1780 1910
John Stanfield wood 1783 2851
support 1783 2842 2844 2849 2852
to Recompense Healy coffin 1783 2887
to Margaret Rounds caring for 1783 2859
to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1783 2857
John Stanfield's children to Margaret Rounds support 1783 2884 1784 3103 1785 3315 3344
to bearer support 1785 3504
Stephenson's wife to James Hammon supplies 1788 4724
Jedediah Stone and wife to David Teft support 1790 5436 5456
Patience Stone and children supplies 1779 1666
Wynne Stone support 1790 5520
Elizabeth Stonehouse wood etc. 1788 5062 1789 5108 5306 5327 1790 5473 5875
Samuel Sues to Joseph Martin coffin 1777 1152
Lucy Taylor supplies 1782 2662 2705 2729 2763
to John Mathewson advances to 1784 3230
to Joseph Whittemore tolling the bell digging a grave and a pall for 1782 2798
John Teel to Ezekiel Burr support 1776 930
John Teels wife or bearer 1778 1480 1498 1525
Esau Thayer to Timothy Mason transporting, etc. 1781 2525
to Benjamin Man boarding 1782 2706
to Benjamin Whipple boarding 1781 2561
to John Whipple boarding 1782 2616 2657
to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1782 2735
Edward Thomas to Recompense Healy coffin 1790 5383
to Daniel Spencer carriage to grave 1789 5378
Margaret Towers to Timothy Merry board and nursing 1790 5874
Lois Tracy to Abraham Belknap board and clothing 1780 1922
to Edward Fenner support 1779 1583
to overseer of poor of Johnston support 1779 1670
to Olive Tracy support 1780 2271 1781 2555 1782 2815 1783 2885 1789 5155 5200 5234 1790 5386 5946
Alice Allen supporting child found in street attending funeral of etc. 1779 1824 1831 1834
Nathan Angell sundries to poor 1776 874
Elijah Bacon coffin for black child 1786 4072
Mary Bradford board of two children 1783 2945 2960
Samuel Butler shoes for poor 1776 938
supplies to poor 1789 5307
Ezekiel Burr 1772 15038
cash advanced for poor 1776 965
Abigail Carr supporting an Indian woman 1780 2269

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Poor order of overseer for

Nancy Clan care of an Indian woman 1785 3425
Andrew Comstock object not stated 1777 1291
Samuel Curry services in relieving poor 1789 5273
Andrew Dexter tow cloth for poor 1787 4175
Solomon Drown for medical services 1787 4487
A. Gray for sums advanced 1787 4228
Levi Hall for bill against town 1777 1192
Recompense Healy coffin for Indian woman 1780 1988
Charles Holden object not stated 1788 4708
Levi Hoppin to pay for wood for poor 1780 1876
Abner Lealand for support of two black children 1777 1169
1203 1228 1258 1280
Widow Logan supporting a transient formerly a wagoner in French service 1783 2875
Aaron Mason supporting an Irish girl scalded and sick 1790 5599
Catharine Nichols on account of poor 1776 1107
Mrs. Lydia Potter boarding an infant child 1790 5434
John Sheldon tow cloth to clothe poor children 1783 2913
Daniel Spencer coffins for poor 1777 1123 1173
Archibald Stewart to buy provisions for six transient poor people on passage to Philadelphia 1787 4301
Jeffrey Turpin digging two graves for poor 1777 1159
digging grave and burying an Indian woman 1780 1985
Rufus Waterman for 10 cords of wood standing had of him for and distributed among the poor in want 1787 4150
Mrs. Mehitable Vial to bearer support 1785 3688 3696
3699 3702
to Rufus Waterman room for 1788 4822
Miss Vial bearer support 1785 3665
Polly Vial Mrs. Sally Birket support 1787 4183 4230
4263 4335 4415 1789 5176
to Joseph Masury support 1786 3815
to Mrs. Amy West support 1785 3707 3735
1786 3763 3777 3782 3789 3976 1787 4444 4577
Betsy Walsh to Nancy Clan support 1782 2781
Betsy Wallis to Mr. Griffin support 1782 2760 2747 2755
Betsy Walles (or Welsh) daughter to Betsy Walsh support 1782 2807
Betsy Welch (or Wallis) son to Betsy Walsh support 1783 2877
Mrs. Weaver in distressed circumstances 1781 2603
Susanna Weaver wood 1782 2625
Mrs. Westcotts sister to Mrs. Westcott support 1788 4936
Jabez Westcott to bearer support 1787 4368

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Poor order for Jabez Westcott
wood 1787 4547
John Westcoats child Mary Sandford support 1779 1573
John Westcoat Jr's child to Mary Sandford nursing boarding and lying in expenses 1779 1580
Phebe Whites child to Aaron Mason necessaries to bury 1780 2175
Gin Whipples child to Jeffrey Turpin digging grave 1778 1418
Nathaniel Whitaker support 1790 5971
a woman to Abigail Carr care of 1776 1105
Elizabeth Young to Anthony Kinnecut support 1780 1892 1899 1917
Elizabeth Young and child to Anthony Kinnecut support 1780 1933
order of overseer of poor on town treasurer in favor of Ezekiel Burr for money received from him for support of poor 1776 965
of clerk of court in settlement of case between Providence and Attleboro *in re* Betty Hoppin 1778 1433
of John Lasell for inclosed account 1783 2910
of James Martin per within bill 1778 1517
of Elisha May in settlement with Attleboro *in re* Betty Hoppin 1778 1439
of overseer of poor on Dr. Pardon Bowen to attend on old Mrs. Fisk 1785 3343
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of Sarah Frank to pay expenses on road to Middleborough 1780 2096
of Joseph Smeeton to pay his bill against William Jones for board 1772 447
of Amos Throop to pay him for medical care of poor 1774 691
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Esther Drown in favor of Clarke & Nightengale 1789 5175 5209
Ruth Fisk in favor of John McNeal 1774 726
Hope Hawkins in favor of Nathaniel Jacobs 1787 4279
in favor of Nathaniel Robinson 1784 3141
Olive Tracy in favor of Abraham Belknap 1784 3115
in favor of William Belknap 1783 2890
in favor of Samuel Proud 1782 2615
in favor of Valentine Sweet 1785 3421
Benjamin Whipple in favor of bearer 1775 846
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Poor receipt for keeping
Patience Clemence by Mary Burlingame 1758 310
Sarah Scranton (of Stephen) by John Thomas 1758 309
by Mary Thomas 1759 326
child of Meribah Stone Benjamin Low 1759 322
Charles Lashbrook 1759 331
Sarah Stones (of Job) John Thurber 1757 292 303
Lois Tracy (of Mary) Mary Tracy 1757 293 1758 313
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Mercy Billings 1781 2322 2355 2404
Joseph Smeeton by self 1780 1890 1896 1903 1908 1913
1919 1927 1937 1941
Lois Tracy by town treasurer of Johnston 1771 15032
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Brown and Benson 1790 5746
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Mr. Cole							1788	5027
Benjamin Convers						1788	4889	4927
Daniel Cooke					1785	14540	1788	4717
Samuel Davenport					1785	3666	1790	5501
Knight Dexter							1790	5533
Dr. Solomon Drown							1790	5451
Arthur Fenner							1773	540
John Field							1790	5531
Martha Field							1785	3543
Thomas Field							1790	5526
Asa Franklin							1788	4902
Jonathan French							1788	4892
Jonathan Gladding							1790	5395
Grinnell and Taylor							1790	5676
Mrs. Sarah Hall							1790	5399
Thomas L. Halsey							1789	5351
John Hammon							1789	5337
Mr. Hammon	1790	5596	5625	5634	5645	5650	5656	
Walter Harding							1789	5161
William Harding							1790	5561
Stephen Harris							1785	3716
Mrs. Hope Hawkins	1785	3663	1788	4851	4976		1790	5720
John Holdin							1788	5017
Joseph Hoyle							1790	5420
Robert Hudson			1785	3537		1789	5158	5331
Daniel Jackson							1790	5555
William Larned							1790	5525
John Lasell							1786	3752
Mary Maloney							1788	4872
Dr. James Manning							1790	5544
Sylvanus Martin							1790	5382
Aaron Mason							1790	5419
Masury and Daullis							1788	4680a
Nathan Miller							1790	5424
James Morril Jr							1790	5450
John Mumford							1789	5362
Jabez Olney							1790	5552
James Peckham					1785	3574	1789	5190
Philip Peckham							1786	3778
James Pettis							1790	5408
John Pettis Jr							1790	5422
Nicholas Power							1790	5630
Magg Shackleford							1790	5441
Pardon Sheldon							1790	5500
John Smith							1789	5371
Joshua Smith							1787	4623
James Snow Jr							1790	5536

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William Snow 1790 5477 5557
Daniel Spencer 1788 4975
Arthur Stevens 1788 4788
Nehemiah Sweet 1788 4945
Paul Tew 1773 494
Ebenezer Thompson 1790 5743
Squire Thurber 1790 5394
Daniel Tourtelot 1785 3656
Jeffrey Turpin 1788 4685
John Walker 1785 3717 3718
William Wheaton 1790 5521
John Whipple 1782 2804
Jacob Whitman 1788 4731
Nathan Williams 1790 5538
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Philip Allen 1785 3583
Zachariah Allen 1785 4018
Daniel Brayton 1785 3580
Elisha Brown 1785 3581
John Brown 1785 3584
Nicholas Brown 1786 3793
Clarke and Nightengale 1785 3586
Benjamin Comstock 1785 3579
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John Smith 1785 3585
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John Beasly	1787 4280
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Ruony Barker	1780 1929
Polly Bartlett	1780 1929
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Phyllis Merritt	1790 5662
Sarah Wood	1790 5730
to Brainham Ruth Smith	1790 5685
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to Cambridge Cato Freeman *et als*	1790 5671
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Mary Kennedy	1789 5292
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to North Kingstown Judith Hazard	1780 15066
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Benjamin Fales 1775 **844**
to Warwick Ruth Finch *et al* 1787 **4157**
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Joseph Hawkins for building wall 1786 3319
Thomas Jenkins for boards for repairing 1783 3020
Charles Keen for building wharf 1771 15027
David Martin for making sash and setting glass 1777 1132
James Martin for shingles and glazing 1783 3021
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Josiah Miller for repairing 1783 3001
Samuel Newell for repairing 1783 3004
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The paper-money banks of Rhode Island were devices whereby bills of credit were issued by the treasury and were loaned out at interest to the people on mortgage security for a term of years. They were issued to enlarge the circulating medium and on various pretexts; for example, to supply the loss occasioned by the expenses of the wars, to repair fortifications, to promote the fisheries and the raising of flax and wool, to repair the colony house, to build a light-house and finally to supply the place of former issues which had been brought in and cancelled. The outstanding bills rapidly depreciated in exchangeable value and finally became worthless.

There were ten banks issued, as follows: the first in 1715, £40,000, the second in 1721, £40,000, the third in 1728, £40,000, the fourth in 1731, £60,000, the fifth in 1733, £104,000, the sixth in 1738, £100,000, the seventh in 1740, £20,000, the eighth in 1743–4, £40,000, the ninth in 1750, £25,000, the tenth in 1786, £100,000; amounting in the whole to £569,000.

The mortgages remained nominally in force, but all attempts to foreclose them were abandoned by general consent, and they are not regarded in the examination of land titles. They were recorded in the office of the town clerk, and among the books of the city of Providence are now remaining records of the first, second, fourth, fifth, seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth banks.

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Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Oct.	29	1726	2	92
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Allbe Eleazar and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Oct.	24	1751	7	6
Angell James and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	28	1721	2	63
John and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	1	1733	4	54
Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Nov.	5	1744	6	45
John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	3	1733	4	57
	July	4	1721	1	4
John Jr and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Apr.	4	1727	2	98
Anthony John and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	13	1751	7	26
Joseph and John Wanton *et al*	May	14	1722	2	74
Stephen and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	27	1731	3	18
Thomas and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Feb.	8	1753	6	83
Jonathan Nichols *et al*	July	12	1727	2	83
Gideon Wanton *et al*	Feb.	8	1753	7	51
Aplin John and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Apr.	21	1748	5	58
Arnold Edward and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Dec.	30	1744	6	51
Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Apr.	11	1747	6	59
	Jan.	28	1748	6	63
John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	4	1733	4	60
	Jan.	31	1738	4	87
	Sept.	17	1731	3	14
	May	20	1731	3	45
Stephen and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	17	1733	4	38
Ashton Joshua and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	13	1744	6	38
William and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	13	1744	6	40
John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	30	1733	4	9
	Sept.	2	1731	3	1
	July	21	1721	2	29
	Sept.	2	1731	2	107
Atwood Charles and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Apr.	13	1748	4	99
	Apr.	13	1748	3	55
Baker Elisha and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	6	1741	5	9
	Oct.	11	1745	6	56
Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Mar.	7	1725	2	91
Gideon Wanton *et al*	Jan.	28	1752	7	37
Ballaeu Maturin and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	17	1721	2	37
Ballard Isaac and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	12	1721	2	46
Ballen Peter and John Wanton *et al*	Apr.	21	1720	1	23
Barnes John and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Feb.	9	1726	1	36
John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	23	1731	1	51
Bateman Peter and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Aug.	15	1753	7	52
Bellknap Benjamin and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	3	1741	4	96
	Nov.	13	1744	6	47
Beverly George and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Mar.	2	1752	7	43
Borden Joseph and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	6	1741	5	11
	Nov.	19	1744	5	55
Joseph Jr and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	29	1741	5	42
Bowdish Moses and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	20	1733	4	43

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Bowen	Ephraim and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	15	1741	5	34
	Joseph Jr and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	13	1744	6	39
	Richard and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Feb.	6	1752	7	39
Bradway	William and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	May	28	1726	1	42
Briggs	John and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	12	1744	6	35
	Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	31	1751	7	29
	William and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Jan.	28	1752	7	36
Brook	William and John Wanton *et al*	July	20	1721	2	25
Brown	George and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Nov.	5	1744	6	44
	John and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Nov.	12	1751	7	13
	Joseph and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Jan.	15	1755	6	93
	Gideon Wanton *et al*	Feb.	6	1752	7	40
	Jahleel Brenton *et al*	July	3	1741	5	46
	Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Jan.	15	1755	5	69
Browne	Hosannah and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	13	1721	1	26
	Jabez and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	13	1721	2	62
	James and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Apr.	30	1726	1	39
	James Jr and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	16	1731	3	12
	Jeremiah and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	15	1733	4	68
	John and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	24	1731	3	43
		Dec.	17	1733	4	69
	Joseph and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Sept.	19	1726	1	40
	Richard and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	8	1733	4	67
	William and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	17	1733	4	70
Bucklen	Jonathan and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Apr.	4	1752	6	78
Burlinggame	Benj. and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	18	1731	3	15
		Nov.	7	1733	4	27
	John and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Oct.	25	1751	7	7
	Joshua and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	26	1744	6	23
		Sept.	26	1744	6	24
	Moses and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	9	1741	5	21
	John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	12	1733	2	118
	Gideon Wanton *et al*	Apr.	13	1752	7	47
	Moses Jr and Benj. Nichols *et al*	Mar.	24	1753	6	85
		Mar.	24	1753	5	65
	G. Wanton *et al*	Dec.	7	1751	7	16
	Roger and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	20	1731	3	34
	Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	21	1744	6	20
	John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	8	1733	4	30
	Samuel and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	7	1733	4	28
	Thomas and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	1	1733	4	13
	Thos. Jr and John Wanton *et al*	July	25	1721	2	24
	William and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	21	1733	4	44
Burrough	William and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	1	1733	4	56
Burton	William and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	7	1733	4	26
Carpenter	Silas and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	26	1733	4	50
	Timothy and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	25	1731	3	17

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Carpenter William 3d and Benj. Nichols *et al*	Oct.	25	1751	7	1
Cary Benjamin and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Nov.	18	1747	6	60
Checkley John and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Mar.	6	1752	7	45
Church John and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	4	1721	2	10
Clarke John and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	17	1733	4	71
Clemance Richard and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	1	1733	4	12
Richard Jr and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	14	1721	2	75
Thomas and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	11	1731	3	29
Colvin John and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	27	1721	2	66
	Oct.	12	1731	3	50
	Oct.	12	1731	2	110
John Jr and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	15	1721	2	67
Colwell John and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	10	1741	5	30
Coman Benjamin and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	30	1733	4	8
William and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Jan.	23	1726	2	93
Compton William and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	12	1751	7	24
Comstock Hazadiah and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	2	1721	2	13
	Oct.	2	1731	1	47
John and John Wanton *et al*	May	12	1739	4	92
Thomas and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	31	1733	4	11
Congdon Benjamin and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	26	1733	4	49
Ephraim and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Mar.	27	1753	5	66
	Mar.	27	1753	6	86
James and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	30	1733	4	53
	Sept.	1	1721	2	18
Samuel and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Nov.	11	1751	7	11
Cook Daniel and John Wanton *et al*	Jan.	1	1733	4	1
Peter and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Oct.	1	1754	7	55
Corpe Hope and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	6	1741	5	8
Joseph and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	6	1741	5	3
Crawford John and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	15	1744	6	41
Joseph and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	7	1733	4	25
Currie Robert and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	13	1721	2	33
	Jan.	10	1733	4	2
	Dec.	29	1733	4	82
	Dec.	19	1733	4	74
Jonathan Nichols *et al*	July	27	1726	1	35
Davis John and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	7	1733	4	24
Day Nathaniel and John Wanton *et al*	Jan.	6	1737	4	89
	Feb.	13	1738	4	88
Dean Elijah and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Aug.	30	1744	6	2
William and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Jan.	31	1752	7	34
	Jan.	10	1759	7	59
Dexter John and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	24	1721	2	56
Gideon Wanton *et al*	Jan.	24	1752	7	33
Peleg and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	9	1751	7	20
Stephen and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	18	1721	2	38

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	Stephen Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	Sept. 10 1731	3	3
Dyer	Charles and John Wanton *et al*	Nov. 2 1733	4	14
	Daniel and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Sept. 6 1746	6	57
	John and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept. 10 1744	6	11
	Samuel and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June 8 1741	5	19
	William and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Feb. 15 1742	5	53
Eddy	Zachariah and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Nov. 20 1749	5	60
		Nov. 20 1749	4	100
	John Wanton *et al*	Apr. 28 1721	1	20
		Sept. 14 1721	1	25
	Zachariah Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	Sept. 11 1721	2	27
Evens	Richard Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	Sept. 28 1721	2	21
Fenner	Arthur and John Wanton *et al*	Sept. 27 1721	2	65
	Arthur Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	June 4 1722	2	76
	Daniel and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Nov. 15 1744	6	48
	Edward and John Wanton *et al*	Feb. 17 1729	1	43
	Richard and John Wanton *et al*	Sept. 8 1721	2	77
	Thomas Jr. and Benj. Nichols *et al*	Feb. 20 1754	6	90
	William and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June 7 1744	5	15
Field	John Jr. and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June 10 1741	5	31
	Nathaniel and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Aug. 3 1752	5	63
		Oct. 9 1752	6	81
	Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June 16 1741	5	37
	Gideon Wanton *et al*	Nov. 11 1751	7	12
	Thomas Jr. and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June 5 1741	5	33
	Gideon Wanton *et al*	Feb. 11 1754	7	54
	William and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June 10 1741	5	28
Frazier	Alexander and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Aug. 30 1744	6	3
	Benj. Nichols *et al*	Feb. 8 1753	6	84
Garrat	Thomas and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Oct. 23 1751	7	3
Gibbs	Israel and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec. 2 1751	7	15
	Robert and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	July 2 1744	5	43
	John Wanton *et al*	Dec. 18 1733	4	73
Gorton	Samuel and John Wanton *et al*	July 29 1721	2	79
Greene	Elisha and John Wanton *et al*	Feb. 3 1738	3	52
		Feb. 3 1738	4	91
		Oct. 1 1731	3	25
		Nov. 12 1733	4	35
	James and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	May 28 1743	6	79
	Gideon Wanton *et al*	Nov. 22 1754	7	60
Gulley	William and John Wanton *et al*	Aug. 17 1721	2	49
		Nov. 15 1727	2	84
		July 13 1730	2	105
Hamon	William and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	June 2 1750	6	71
		June 2 1750	4	101
Harding	Stephen and John Wanton *et al*	May 1 1722	1	19

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		Nov.	1	1726	1	37
	John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	10	1733	1	60
	Thomas and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	6	1733	4	23
Harris	Andrew and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	19	1720	1	27
	Job and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	3	1729	2	103
	William and John Wanton *et al*	June	16	1722	2	81
		Sept.	13	1721	2	26
Hartshorn	Jacob and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	15	1733	4	37
Hause	John and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	6	1721	2	22
Hawkings	Edward and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	21	1721	2	52
		Sept.	15	1731	3	9
	Edward Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	July	21	1721	2	54
	Elijah and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	20	1733	4	45
	Jeremiah and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Oct.	24	1751	7	5
	John and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	19	1744	6	18
	Joseph and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	20	1733	4	42
	Josiah and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	5	1744	6	30
	Rufus and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	5	1733	4	19
	Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	6	1744	6	7
Hawkins	William Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	26	1721	1	3
Henry	John and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Oct.	26	1751	7	8
	Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	4	1744	6	5
Hernden	John and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	30	1721	2	42
	William and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	15	1721	2	50
Herrinden	Benjamin and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	6	1721	2	16
Hide	Joseph and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	11	1721	2	32
Hopkins	Amos and Gideon Wanton *et al*	June	7	1753	6	88
	Benjamin Nichols *et al*	July	6	1753	5	67
		June	27	1754	6	92
		June	27	1754	5	68
	William and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Mar.	23	1721	2	73
	John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	18	1721	2	72
		Oct.	18	1731	3	31
Hudson	Mary and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	7	1731	3	28
	Thomas and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	8	1741	5	17
Huston	William and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	July	3	1741	5	45
		July	21	1741	5	51
		Aug.	7	1741	5	13
Inman	Edward Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	11	1721	2	57
Irween	James and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	1	1744	6	26
Jenckes	Nathaniel Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	4	1731	3	26
	Obadiah and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Mar.	22	1725	1	34
	John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	5	1721	2	28
	William and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	18	1744	6	17
Jones	William and John Wanton *et al*	May	26	1730	1	16
	William Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	20	1733	4	75

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Jones	Zachariah and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	17	1721	2	53
Joy	Peter and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	4	1744	6	6
	John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	26	1733	4	80
Kees	Shadrack and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Dec.	2	1726	2	89
Kent	John and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Mar.	2	1752	7	41
		Mar.	2	1743	6	75
Kilton	Samuel and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	7	1733	4	29
King	Elizabeth and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	20	1731	3	35
	James and John Wanton *et al*	Mar.	21	1720	1	8
	James Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	27	1731	2	106
		Sept.	22	1721	2	20
	John and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	9	1741	5	23
	John Wanton *et al*	Jan.	1	1721	2	11
	Jonathan and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	9	1741	5	26
		Oct.	12	1744	6	36
	John Wanton *et al*	Jan.	22	1731	2	114
	Josiah and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	5	1744	6	29
Knight	Ebenezer and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	2	1733	4	15
	John and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	5	1733	4	20
		Sept.	14	1731	3	7
	Jonathan and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	3	1721	2	31
	Richard and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	8	1741	5	16
		Sept.	5	1743	4	98
	John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	11	1721	2	58
		Oct.	26	1731	3	38
		Dec.	24	1733	4	77
		Oct.	25	1731	2	112
	Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	14	1751	5	62
		Dec.	14	1751	7	27
	Richard 4th and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Jan.	7	1752	7	31
	Robert and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	18	1745	6	55
Knowles	Daniel and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	11	1731	3	30
	Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Dec.	7	1726	2	97
Knowlton	Elisha and John Wanton *et al*	Feb.	6	1720	1	5
		June	22	1724	2	44
Larance	Sarah and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	27	1721	2	19
Luther	Consider and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Jan.	13	1747	5	56
Man	Thomas and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	26	1721	2	35
Manchester	Martha and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Feb.	4	1752	7	38
	Matthew and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	10	1744	6	12
Manton	Edward and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	3	1733	4	18
Mathewson	Daniel and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	27	1744	6	25
	Israel and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	1	1744	6	27
	Zachariah and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	25	1721	2	59
Mawrey	Henry and John Wanton *et al*	July	25	1721	2	60
	John and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	11	1721	2	30
Mitchel	Edward and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	June	10	1726	2	82

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Mitchel Edward and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	24	1733	2	117
	Feb.	6	1720	1	21
James and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	6	1733	4	64
Mowry Henry and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	May	31	1726	2	109
Olney Abraham and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Apr.	18	1754	6	91
James and John Wanton *et al*	Jan.	15	1734	4	84
	Nov.	12	1731	3	42
John and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	29	1741	5	41
John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	16	1731	3	11
John Jr and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	June	13	1726	2	96
William Jr and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	22	1721	2	51
	Oct.	1	1731	3	23
	Nov.	22	1733	4	48
Owen Josiah and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	29	1731	1	49
	Sept.	30	1731	3	22
	Dec.	10	1733	1	58
	Dec.	25	1733	4	79
	Dec.	10	1733	3	47
Thomas and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	8	1741	4	95
John Wanton *et al*	June	4	1739	4	93
Packard Fearnot and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	30	1733	4	7
Page William and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	28	1731	3	20
	Nov.	22	1733	4	47
Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Nov.	27	1725	2	90
Paget Henry and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Apr.	28	1752	7	48
Paine Solomon and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	July	14	1741	5	49
John Wanton *et al*	Jan.	18	1733	4	4
Pearce Nathan and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Dec.	18	1724	1	18
Jahleel Brenton *et al*	May	27	1745	6	53
Peck Zephaniah and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	13	1731	3	5
Place Joseph and John Wanton *et al*	July	26	1721	2	80
Nathan and John Wanton *et al*	Feb.	25	1720	1	6
Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Jan.	23	1724	1	46
Peter and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	30	1721	2	36
Nathan and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Mar.	8	1725	2	101
Pollock Thomas and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	9	1733	4	33
Potter Abel and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	12	1733	4	36
Benjamin and John Wanton *et al*	July	18	1821	2	48
Benjamin Jr and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Mar.	2	1752	7	42
Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	6	1741	5	12
Caleb and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Oct.	28	1751	7	10
Content and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	10	1731	3	4
Edward and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	26	1731	3	39
Gideon Wanton *et al*	Apr.	13	1752	7	46
John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	9	1721	2	9
Edward Jr and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	8	1741	5	18
Fisher and John Wanton *et al*	Jan.	23	1733	4	5

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Potter Fisher and John Wanton *et al*	Jan.	22	1733	3	46
Job and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	5	1731	3	2
	Feb.	14	1738	3	53
Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	5	1741	5	6
John and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	25	1721	2	64
	Nov.	10	1733	4	34
	Dec.	24	1733	4	78
	Dec.	29	1733	3	48
Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Dec.	8	1743	5	54
John Jr and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Dec.	24	1744	6	22
Joseph and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	9	1751	7	21
Power Nicholas and John Wanton *et al*	Mar.	18	1731	3	44
Randall Henry and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	9	1741	5	25
Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Mar.	22	1753	5	64
Jonathan and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Aug.	7	1741	5	14
John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	23	1731	3	36
	Dec.	7	1733	4	66
Joseph and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	4	1733	4	62
	July	26	1721	2	40
Peter and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Feb.	1	1747	6	64
William and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Oct.	26	1751	7	9
William Jr and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	5	1741	5	5
Relph Hugh and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	30	1721	2	34
Samuel and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	31	1721	2	14
Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	9	1741	5	20
Thomas and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	6	1721	2	78
Remington Joseph Jr and Benj. Nichols *et al*	Aug.	11	1752	6	80
Joshua and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Jan.	16	1752	7	32
William and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	1	1731	3	24
Rhoades John and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	10	1751	7	22
John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	26	1731	3	37
Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Nov.	13	1744	6	46
Rhoads Peleg and Bejamin Nichols *et al*	Dec.	10	1751	6	74
Roberts David and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	4	1741	5	2
William and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	4	1741	5	1
Gideon Wanton *et al*	Jan.	28	1752	7	35
Sailsbury Cornelius and John Wanton *et al*	Feb.	13	1720	1	22
Cornelius Jr and Jon. Nichols *et al*	Jan.	3	1726	2	94
Jonathan and John Wanton *et al*	July	27	1721	2	47
Sarle Richard Jr and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Dec.	23	1752	6	82
Sayles Richard and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Mar.	29	1727	2	95
Sheldon Edward and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	10	1744	6	10
Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	23	1751	7	30
John and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	7	1721	2	68
Joseph and John Wanton *et al*	Mar.	4	1733	4	85
Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Dec.	29	1744	6	50
Nicholas and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	29	1733	4	81

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Sheldon Nicholas Jr and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	July	14	1741	5	50
John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	13	1731	2	111
	Sept.	8	1721	2	71
Philip and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	18	1741	5	39
Timothy and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	7	1733	4	65
Timothy Jr and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	3	1733	4	58
Smith Daniel and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	10	1744	6	33
Hezekiah and John Wanton *et al*	July	23	1739	4	94
Jeremiah and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	22	1744	6	21
John and John Wanton *et al*	Jan.	29	1735	3	49
	Jan.	29	1735	4	86
Joseph and John Wanton *et al*	Feb.	24	1720	1	10
Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Jan.	28	1726	2	85
Philip and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	30	1731	3	21
	Dec.	6	1733	4	63
Samuel and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Mar.	28	1752	6	76
	Mar.	28	1752	6	77
Simon and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	9	1733	4	32
William and John Wanton *et al*	Mar.	25	1721	1	24
	Dec.	1	1733	4	55
	Dec.	4	1733	4	61
Snow Joseph and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	19	1741	5	40
	Mar.	17	1745	6	52
John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	26	1733	4	51
Gideon Wanton *et al*	Oct.	24	1751	7	4
Joseph Jr and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Aug.	29	1744	6	1
Sprague Benjamin and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	30	1721	2	12
Daniel and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	10	1751	7	23
Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Nov.	12	1748	5	59
	Jan.	20	1749	6	70
Ebenezer and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	20	1731	3	33
Richard and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	16	1721	2	17
Steere Samuel and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Sept.	3	1726	2	86
Stone John and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Feb.	15	1725	1	41
John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	27	1731	3	19
	Oct.	29	1733	4	10
Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	12	1744	6	14
John Jr and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	9	1741	5	24
Jonathan and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Mar.	12	1747	5	57
Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	6	1741	5	10
Joseph and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	6	1751	7	18
Story Robert and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	July	2	1741	5	44
Stuart John and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	23	1731	3	16
Sweeting Henry and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	2	1733	4	16
Henry Jr and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	9	1751	7	19
Swett Stephen and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	17	1744	6	15
Taylor George and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	11	1744	6	34

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Thayer	David and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	May	13	1755	6	94
	David and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	May	13	1755	6	95
	Gideon Wanton *et al*	May	12	1755	7	56
		May	12	1755	7	57
		Aug.	6	1755	7	58
Thomas	John and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Oct.	23	1751	7	2
Thornton	Elihu and John Wanton *et al*	Feb.	12	1729	1	44
	John and John Wanton *et al*	June	15	1722	2	8
		Feb.	23	1733	4	6
	Joseph and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Nov.	19	1747	6	61
		Nov.	19	1747	6	62
	Richard and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	5	1731	3	27
	Stephen and John Wanton *et al*	Jan.	15	1733	4	3
	Thomas and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	8	1731	3	40
	William and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	25	1733	2	116
Tefft	David and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Jan.	3	1748	6	68
Tillinghast	Benjamin and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	2	1733	4	17
	James and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	22	1733	4	46
	William and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	6	1744	6	31
Tourtellot	Abraham and John Wanton *et al*	Mar.	23	1721	2	15
Tracy	John and John Wanton *et al*	Oct.	18	1731	3	32
		Mar.	26	1739	3	54
Tradwen	John and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Nov.	7	1751	6	73
	Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	2	1751	7	14
Tredwin	John and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	20	1733	4	76
Tripp	Edward and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	10	1741	5	27
	Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	18	1751	7	28
Tucker	Thomas and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	9	1728	2	108
Walling	James Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	4	1721	2	41
Wanton	John and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	29	1741	6	43
Warner	Ezekiel and John Wanton *et al*	July	31	1721	2	69
		Jan	10	1733	4	83
Waterman	Job and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	3	1744	6	4
	John Jr. and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	8	1744	6	8
	Nathaniel and John Wanton *et al*	Dec.	3	1733	4	59
	Resolved and Benj. Nichols *et al*	Nov.	20	1749	3	57
	Rich. 4th and Jah. Brenton *et al*	June	16	1741	5	35
Weare	Archibald and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	13	1751	7	25
Weaver	Elisha and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Aug.	17	1750	4	102
		Aug.	17	1750	5	61
		Aug.	17	1750	4	103
West	Jonathan and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	26	1721	2	55
Westcott	Benjamin and John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	22	1721	2	70
		Sept.	16	1731	3	13
		Sept.	16	1731	2	113
	Benj. Jr. and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	4	1741	5	4
		Sept.	17	1744	6	16

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Westcott	Benj. 3d and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	19	1744	6	19
	Ezekiel and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	6	1733	4	22
	Jabez and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Mar.	2	1752	7	44
		Aug.	28	1753	7	53
	John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	10	1731	3	41
		Feb.	14	1738	3	51
	Josiah and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Oct.	14	1743	6	72
	John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	14	1731	3	8
	Nicholas and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	17	1733	4	39
	Samuel and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Feb.	29	1752	4	104
		May	17	1753	6	87
	Samuel Jr. and Benj. Nichols *et al*	Apr.	2	1748	6	65
	Stukley Jr. and Gid. Wanton *et al*	Dec.	7	1752	7	49
	Thomas and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	May	3	1748	3	56
	John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	17	1733	4	40
	William and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	17	1733	4	41
		July	29	1721	2	43
Wheten	John and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	10	1741	5	29
Whipple	Benjamin and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	8	1744	6	9
	Job Jr. and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Jan.	23	1724	1	28
	John and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	8	1733	4	31
		Mar.	13	1737	4	90
	Jahleel Brenton *et al*	May	2	1743	4	97
Wickes	Joseph and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	July	7	1741	5	48
Wight	Benjamin and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Apr.	17	1727	2	99
	John Wanton *et al*	Aug.	28	1721	2	23
	Benj. Jr. and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Apr.	17	1727	2	100
Wilkinson	Samuel Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	Feb.	20	1720	1	7
Willbore	Daniel and Jonathan Nichols *et al*	Jan.	11	1726	2	88
Williams	Daniel and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Nov.	22	1753	6	89
	Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	10	1744	6	32
	Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	21	1752	7	50
	James Jr. and John Wanton *et al*	Nov.	29	1733	4	52
	James Jr. and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	5	1741	5	7
	Jeremiah and Gideon Wanton *et al*	Dec.	6	1751	7	17
	John and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	13	1731	3	6
	Joseph Jr. and Benjamin Nichols *et al*	Nov.	20	1743	6	69
	Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Sept.	11	1744	6	13
	Peleg and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct.	15	1744	6	42
	John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	1	1721	2	61
	Peleg Jr. and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	16	1741	5	36
		Oct.	4	1744	6	28
	Robert and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	15	1741	5	32
		Oct.	8	1745	6	54
	Stephen and John Wanton *et al*	Sept.	15	1731	3	10
		Nov.	5	1733	4	21
	Jahleel Brenton *et al*	June	9	1741	5	22

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Wright	Benjamin and John Wanton *et al*	Mar. 25	1721	1	9
		Nov. 23	1731	1	53
Young	Archibald and Jahleel Brenton *et al*	Oct. 13	1744	6	37
	James and John Wanton *et al*	Aug. 18	1721	2	39

NOTE: The records of the tenth or "last bank" mortgages came to the hands of the commissioners too late to be included in the aforegoing index. It has been necessary therefore to prepare a separate index for this volume of the paper money bank mortgages, which follows. Instead of making these mortgages to Trustees, as was the case with the others, they were made to "Thomas Rumreill Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office for the State."

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	Thomas and Thomas Rumreill Keeper &c.	8	72
Averell	Ebenezer and Thomas Rumreill Keeper &c.	8	12
Bourne	Benjamin and Thomas Rumreill Keeper &c.	8	45
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Carpenter	John and Thomas Rumreill Keeper &c.	8	33
Clarke	John Innes and Thomas Rumreill Keeper &c.	8	70
Cole	Hugh and Thomas Rumreill Keeper &c.	8	21
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Keene John and Thomas Rumreill Keeper &c.	8	16
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Millen Josiah and Thomas Rumreill Keeper &c.	8	17
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The following is an index to copies of plats of streets, highways and lands in and around Providence, which have been selected from the files in the office of the City Clerk. With a few exceptions they bear date previous to 1800. During the years which they have been constantly referred to many of them have become worn and mutilated; they have therefore been repaired, arranged in chronological order and mounted in a volume entitled "Original Plats of Streets, Highways and Lands in the Town of Providence." Carefully made copies of them have been prepared under the direction of the City Engineer, and these copies have been bound in two volumes entitled "Plats of Streets and Highways in the Town of Providence."

These two volumes together with the volume of the originals have been deposited in the office of the City Clerk in the City Hall.

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Bowen Joseph land		Bowen street	1	1
Bowen street		from North Main street to Benefit street	1	1
		from North Main street to Benefit street	2	2
		from North Main street to Benefit street	2	6
		from North Main street to Benefit street	2	17
Broad street		from Chestnut street to former city line	1	2
	Pawtuxet road	from Elmwood avenue to Potters avenue	1	4
	Weybosset street	at Clemence street	1	4
	Weybosset street	from Broad street to Westminster street	1	8
	Weybosset street	from Dorrance street to Eddy street	1	10
	Pawtuxet road	at Park avenue	1	18
	Pawtuxet road	at Park avenue	1	26
	Pawtuxet road	at Park avenue	2	1

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Broad street	Weybosset street	from Dorrance street westerly	2	3
	Pawtuxet road	at Chestnut street	2	5
	Pawtuxet road	at Beacon avenue	2	7
	Pawtuxet road	at Beacon avenue	2	9
	Pawtuxet road	from near Stewart street to Pearl street	2	11
	Pawtuxet road	from Chestnut street to Foster street	2	14
	Pawtuxet road	from Elmwood avenue to Apponaug	2	16
	Pawtuxet road	at junction Weybosset	2	18
	Pawtuxet road	at Beacon avenue	2	21
Brook street		from Wickenden street to Williams street	2	22
Burrill street		from Westminster street to Weybosset street	1	8
		from Westminster street to Weybosset street	1	15
Burrs lot		near junction of N. Main street and Benefit st	1	19
Camp street		from Olney street to Rochambeau avenue	1	25
Canal street	New street	from Market square to near Steeple street	2	20
	New street	from Market square to near Steeple street	2	23
Central bridge		Seekonk river	2	5
		Seekonk river	2	9
Chalkstone avenue		at Randall square	2	11
Charles street		from Orms street to Randall square	1	7
		at Mill street	1	8
		at Mill street	1	8
		from Smith street northerly	1	21
		at Randall square	2	4

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SUBJECT	FORMER OR PRESENT NAME	LOCATION	VOL	P
Charles street		at Randall square	2	11
		at Smith street	2	25
		at Smith street	1	19
Chestnut street	Ship street	from Broad street to Ship street	2	5
	Ship street	from Broad street to Ship street	2	14
	Ship street	near Broad street	2	6
Church street		from North Main street to Benefit street	1	16
Claverick street		from Broad street to Friendship street	2	14
		from Pine street to Friendship street	2	18
Clemence street	Sugar lane	from Westminster street to Weybosset street	1	4
		near Westminster street	2	2
	Sugary lane	from Westminster street southerly	2	3
Clifford street	Prospect street	from Page street to Ship street	2	14
College lane	College street	at Benefit street	1	1
College street		from Benefit street to Prospect street	1	1
	Hanover street	at Benefit street	1	1
	Hanover street	from South Main street to Benefit street	2	13
Connecticut line		at Plainfield road	1	12
Country road		near Pawtucket falls	1	9
Cranston line		at Broad street	1	2
Cranston street		from Winter street to Pearl street	2	11
Cross street	Thayer street	from John street to Arnold street	2	12
	Thayer street	from Power street to John street	2	22
	Thayer street	from Power street to Arnold street	2	25
Custom House street		from Weybosset street easterly	1	22

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Davis street	Henry Smiths land	Smiths hill	2	21
Dean street		at Westminster street	1	8
Dorrance street	Muddy dock	at Weybosset street	1	22
Downer plat		Weybosset street near Westminster street	1	22
Dugaway hill road		Cranston	1	9
Dunwells gangway		from Weybosset street easterly	1	22
Dyer gangway		from Westminster street southerly	1	22
East avenue		Pawtucket	1	9
		Pawtucket from Main street southerly	1	21
East River street		near Waterman street	2	1
		near Waterman street	2	5
		near Waterman street	2	9
Eaton street		from Smith street to Swan avenue	1	5
Eddy street		at Weybosset street	1	10
		near Westminster street	2	2
		from Westminster street to Middle street	2	3
		from Ship street to South street	2	14
		at South street	2	15
Elm street	Potter street	from Richmond street to Providence river	2	14
Elmwood avenue		from Broad street to near Reservoir avenue	1	4
	Middle road	from Broad street to Reservoir avenue	2	16
Ephraims wading place		at Park avenue	1	18
		at Park avenue	2	1
Exchange street		at Westminster street	1	15
		at Westminster street	1	22

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Fenner street		at Westminster street	1	8
Ferry		at Narrow passage over Seekonk river	2	1
Ferry lane	Wickenden street	near Benefit street	2	7
Field Deacon plat		Friendship and Broad streets	2	18
Field street	Richmond street	from Ship street to South street	2	14
	Richmond street	at South street	2	15
Fosters lane	Foster street	from Broad street to Friendship street	2	14
	Foster street	from near Broad street to Friendship street	2	18
Foster street	Fosters lane	from Broad street to Friendship street	2	14
	Fosters lane	from near Broad street to Friendship street	2	18
Franklin street		at Westminster street	1	8
Friendship street		from Page street to Foster street	2	14
		from Chestnut street to Beacon avenue	2	18
Gangway		from Mill street to river	1	15
		from Benefit street to Olney street	1	12
		off Chestnut street near Broad street	2	6
		from Weybosset street southerly	1	25
George street		at Prospect street	2	10
		at Prospect street	2	12
		from Benefit street to Hope street	2	26
Goal lane	Meeting street	at Prospect street	1	14
	Meeting street	at South Court street	1	16
	Meeting street	at Prospect street	2	10
Governor street		at Angell street	1	13
		at Pitman street	2	9

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Great Meadow hollow		Pawtucket	1	21
Greene street		at Westminster street	1	8
Hanover street	College street	at Benefit street	1	1
	College street	from South Main street to Benefit street	2	13
Hardings alley	Jenkins lane	from South Main street to Well street	2	17
Hay street		from Weybosset street southerly	1	22
Haymarket street		from North Main street westerly	2	15
Herendens lane	Rochambeau avenue	at Camp street	1	25
Hewes street		from North Main street to Stevens street	1	12
		from North Main street to Stampers street	1	20
High street	Westminster and Weybosset sts	Broad street to Manton avenue	1	2
	Westminster street	Westminster street to Spring street	1	8
	Weybosset street	at Burrill street	1	15
(Angell plat)	Westminster street	from near Stewart street to Winter street	2	11
Highway		from Smith st southerly near Moshassuck riv	1	21
		from Smith st southerly near Moshassuck riv	2	25
		Over West River near West River street	1	7
		from Town street to the back street	1	9
		near Pawtucket falls	1	9
		from Warwick line northerly to cross road west of Oaklawn	1	26
		from Capt. Watermans Mill Dam to Killingly r	2	5
Hope street		from Pawtuxet to Apponaug	2	16
		at Transit street	1	6
		at Meeting street	1	9

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Hope street		at Angell street	1	13
	West street	at Williams street	2	22
		from Williams street to Power street	2	25
		at George street	2	26
Hospital lot		at or near Rhode Island Hospital	1	23
		at or near Rhode Island Hospital	2	15
Hospital street		from Lockwood street to Eddy street	2	7
		from South street to Eddy street	2	15
Howland street	Bowens alley	from Benefit street to North Main street	2	2
India street		near Benefit street	2	7
Jackson street		at Westminster street	1	8
James street		from Benefit street to South Main street	2	4
		from Benefit street to South Main street	2	20
Jenkins lane	Hardings alley	from South Main street to Well street	2	17
John street		between Benefit street and Hope street	1	23
		at Thayer street	2	12
		at Thayer street	2	22
		at Thayer street	2	25
		from Benefit street easterly	2	19
		at Brook street	2	22
Killingly road		near Manton	2	5

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King street	North Main street	at Waterman street	1	13
	North Main street	at Waterman street	2	8
Knight street		between Broadway and Atwells avenue	1	4
Landing place		Valley street	1	7
		Pawtucket river at Pawtucket	1	9
		Pawtucket river at Pawtucket	1	21
Lockwood street		from Plain street to Hospital street	2	7
Long Meadow brook		at Apponaug road	2	16
Lonsdale avenue		at Main street Pawtucket	1	21
Main street		from Blackstone river to Lonsdale av Pawtucket	1	21
	Country road	at East avenue Pawtucket	1	9
	North Main street	at Church street	1	16
	North Main street	at Bowen street	1	1
	North Main street	at Waterman street	1	3
	North Main street	at Mill street	1	8
	North Main street	at Benefit street	1	17
	North Main street	south of Hewes street	1	20
	North Main street	near Bowen street	2	2
	North Main street	at Randall street	2	4
	South Main street	at James street	2	4
	North Main street	at Bowen street	2	6
	North Main street	at Bowen street	2	17
	North Main street	at Haymarket street	2	15

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Main street	North Main street	from Market square to near Steeple street	2	20
	Wickenden street	at Link street	2	20
	North Main street	from Market square to near Steeple street	2	23
Manchester Isaac plat		Hospital lot	1	23
		Hospital lot	2	9
		Hospital lot	2	21
Manton avenue		from Westminster street northerly	1	2
Market square			2	20
			2	23
Market street	Westminster street	at Exchange street	1	15
Mashapaug brook		at Greenwich Middle road	2	16
Mashapaug pond		at Reservoir avenue	2	16
Mathewsons land		Westminster street	1	21
Mathewson street	School lane	near Westminster street	2	2
Meeting street		from North Main street to Hope street	1	9
	Goal lane	at Prospect street	1	14
	Prison lane	at Benefit street	1	17
	Goal lane	at South Court street	1	16
	Goal lane	at Prospect street	2	10
Middle road	Elmwood ave and Reservoir ave	from Broad street to Apponaug	2	16
Middle street		from Orange street westerly	2	3
	Well street	from Power street to Williams street	2	17
Mill bridge		at Moshassuck river	1	8
		at Moshassuck river	1	8
Mill river	Moshassuck river	at Mill street	1	8
	Moshassuck river	from Stevens street southerly	1	23
Mill street		from North Main street to Charles street	1	8

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Mill street		from North Main street to Charles street	1	8
		near junction of North Main street	1	15
		from Charles street to North Main street	1	20
Monkeytown road	Park avenue	from Broad street to Greenwich Middle road	2	16
Moshassuck river	Mill river	near Charles street	1	7
	Mill river	at Mill street	1	8
		near North Main street	1	15
Moulton street		near Westminster street	2	2
Mount Pleasant avenue		at Smith street	1	5
Muddy dock		at Weybosset street	1	10
		at Weybosset street	1	22
		at Weybosset street	2	3
Narrow passage		Seekonk river	2	1
Neutaconkanut hill		land near (Johnston)	1	12
New street	Benefit street	at Transit street	1	6
	Canal street	from Market square to near Steeple street	2	20
	Canal street	from Market square to near Steeple street	2	23
North Court street		from North Main street westerly	2	15
North Main street	Main street	at Bowen street	1	1
	Main street	at Waterman street	1	3
	Town street	at Mill street	1	8
	Main street	at Mill street	1	8
	Town street	at Meeting street	1	9
	Town street	from Hewes street to near Mill street	1	12
	King street	at Waterman street	1	13

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North Main street	Williams street	at Church street	1	16
	Old street	at Benefit street	1	17
		near Benefit street	1	19
	Main street	south of Hewes street	1	20
	Main street	near Bowen street	2	2
	Main street	at Randall street	2	4
	Main street	at Bowen street	2	6
	Main street	at Bowen street	2	17
	Water street	at Waterman street	2	8
	King street	at Waterman street	2	8
(widening)		at Smith street	2	12
	Main street	at Haymarket street	2	15
	Main street	from Market square to near Steeple street	2	20
	Main street	from Market square to near Steeple street	2	23
Old street	North Main street	at Benefit street	1	17
Olneys lane	Olney street	at Prospect street	1	14
	Olney street	at Camp street	1	25
Olney street		from Stampers street easterly	1	12
	Olneys lane	at Camp street	1	25
Olney Thomas Jr		land at Wionkhiege	1	11
Olney Thomas Sr		land at Wionkhiege	1	11
Orange street		from Weybosset street southerly	1	22
		from Westminster street to Middle street	2	3
		from Westminster street to Weybosset street	1	21
		at Westminster street	2	2

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Park avenue		from Pocasset river to Broad street	1	18
		from Pocasset river easterly	2	1
		from Broad street westerly	1	26
	Monkeytown road	from Broad street to Greenwich Middle road	2	16
Pawtucket bridge		Seekonk river	1	21
Pawtucket landing place		Seekonk river	1	21
Pawtucket highways in			1	21
Pawtucket river	Seekonk river	near Division street bridge, Pawtucket	1	9
Pawtuxet road	Broad street	from Chestnut street to former Cranston line	1	2
	Broad street	from Elmwood avenue to Potter's avenue	1	4
	Broad street	at Park avenue	1	18
	Broad street	at Park avenue	1	26
	Broad street	at Park avenue	2	1
	Broad street	at Chestnut street	2	5
	Broad street	at Beacon avenue	2	7
	Broad street	at Beacon avenue	2	9
	Broad street	from near Stewart street to Pearl street	2	11
	Broad street	from Chestnut street to Foster street	2	14
	Broad street	from Elmwood avenue to Apponaug	2	16
	Park avenue	from Middle road to Broad street	2	16
	Broad street	at junction Weybosset street	2	18
	Broad street	at Beacon avenue	2	21
Pearl street		from Cranston street to Broad street	2	11
Pecks lot		Broad street near Dorrance street	1	10
Peck street		from Weybosset street easterly	1	22
Pine street	Snow street	from Page street to Foster street	2	14
	Snow street	from Chestnut street to Fosters lane	2	18

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Pitman street		from Governor street to East River street	2	9
Plain street		from Friendship street to Lockwood street	2	7
		from Friendship street to Lockwood street	2	9
		from Friendship street to Hospital	2	21
Plainfield road		from Weybosset bridge to Connecticut line	1	12
	Weybosset street	at junction Broad street	2	18
Pocasset river		at Ephraims wading place	2	1
		at Ephraims wading place	1	18
		at Greenwich Middle road	2	16
Pond street		from near Stewart street to Pearl street	2	11
Post Office court		from Weybosset street easterly	1	22
Potters avenue		from Broad street to Elmwood avenue	1	4
Potter John Jr		land near Dugaway hill, Cranston	1	26
Potter street	Elm street	from Richmond street to Providence river	2	14
Powers lane	Power street	at Benefit street	1	7
	Power street	at Benefit street	2	3
	Power street	near Brown street	2	7
	Power street	at Thayer street	2	22
	Power street	at Thayer street	2	25
	Power street	at Benefit street	1	17
Power street	Powers lane	at Benefit street	1	7
	Powers lane	at Benefit street	1	17
	Powers lane	at Benefit street	2	2
	Powers lane	at Benefit street	2	3
	Powers lane	near Brown street	2	7
		from South Main street to Well street	2	17
	Powers lane	at Thayer street	2	22

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Power street	Powers lane	at Thayer street	2	25
President street	Waterman street	from North Main street to Benefit street	2	8
Prison lane	Meeting street	at Benefit street	1	17
Proposed street		from Angell street to India street	2	7
Prospect street		at Angell street	1	13
		from Olney to Angell street	1	14
		from Benevolent to Meeting street	2	10
		from Waterman street to Benevolent street	2	12
	Clifford street	from Page street to Ship street	2	14
Randall street		from North Main street to Charles street	2	4
		near Randall square	2	11
Reily Terence		land at Weybosset bridge	1	25
Reservoir avenue	Middle road	from Elmwood avenue to Middle road	2	16
Richmans lane	Burrill street	from Weybosset street to Westminster street	1	15
Richmond street	Field street	from Broad street to South street	2	14
	Field street	at South street	2	15
Rochambeau avenue	Herendens lane North street	at Camp street	1	25
Sabin James		land on Weybosset street	1	25
School lane	Mathewson street	at Westminster street	2	2
Second division of lots		North Main Stampers and other streets	1	12
Sheldon Nicholas orchard		Cranston near Dugaway hill	1	9
Ship street	Chestnut street	from Broad street to river	2	5
	Chestnut street	near Broad street	2	6

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Ship street	Chestnut street	from Broad street to river	2	14
Short alley		from North Main street to Benefit street	1	12
Smith Henry		land on Davis street	2	21
Smith street		from Eaton street to Woonasquatucket river	1	5
		south side of near Moshassuck river	1	19
		south side of near Moshassuck river	1	19
		at Charles street	2	25
		at Charles street	1	19
		at Charles street	1	21
Smiths Turpin land		Knight street	1	4
Snows Meeting House		Broad street	1	2
		Broad street	1	21
Snow street		near Westminster street	2	2
	Pine street	from Page street to Foster street	2	14
	Pine street	from Chestnut street to Fosters lane	2	18
Solentary Hill		south of Olneyville square	1	2
South Angell street		from near Grand avenue to Central bridge	2	1
		from Arlington avenue to Central bridge	2	5
South Court street		from Benefit street to Meeting street	1	16
		from Benefit street to Meeting street	2	12
South Main street	Williams street	at Transit street	1	16
	Main street	at James street	2	4
		at College street	2	13
	Water street	from Power street to Williams street	2	17
	Main street	at James street	2	20
South street		from Richmond street to Providence river	2	14
		from Hospital street to Providence river	2	15

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Sprague Ebenezer land		near Neutaconkanut hill	1	12
Spring street		at Westminster street	1	8
		from Westminster street to Broad street	2	11
Stampers hill lots about		North Main Stampers and other streets	1	12
Stampers street		from Hewes street to North Main street	1	12
	Back street	south of Hewes street	1	20
Steeple street		North Main street to Canal street	2	20
		from North Main street to Canal street	2	23
Stelle Benjamin		land on south side of Smith street	1	19
Sterling Dr meadow		Mill street	1	23
Stevens bridge		plat of land near	2	11
Stevens street		at Hewes street	1	12
		from Bark street to Charles street	1	23
		near Charles street	2	2
		near Charles street	2	11
Stewart street		at Westminster street	1	8
Sugar lane	Clemence street	from Westminster street to Weybosset street	1	4
	Clemence street	from Westminster street southerly	2	3
Summer street		at Westminster street	1	8
		from Westminster street to Broad street	2	11
Sweeting Job		land on Weybosset street	1	25
Tallmans lane		from Richmond street to Providence river	2	14
Tar Bridge road	Manton avenue	from Olneyville square northerly	1	2
Thayer street	Cross street	from John street to Arnold street	2	12
	Cross street	from Power street to John street	2	22

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Thayer street	Cross street	from Power street to Arnold street	2	25
Thornton John farm part of		near Neutaconkanut hill	1	12
Tift lot		Broad street near Dorrance street	1	10
Town street	North Main street	at Mill street	1	8
	North Main street	at Meeting street	1	9
	North Main street	from Hewes street to near Mill street	1	12
Transit street		from Benefit street to Hope street	1	6
		at Benefit street	1	11
		from South Main street to Benefit street	1	16
		near Benefit street	2	7
		from South Main street to Benefit street	2	19
		at Brook street	2	22
Union street		near Westminster street	2	2
		from Westminster street southerly	2	3
Valley street		near Turner street	1	7
Walker street		at Westminster street	1	8
Waller Matthew		land at Wionkhiege	1	11
Walnut street		at Westminster street	1	8
Warwick line		on road from Dugaway hill to Natick	1	26
Water street	North Main street	at Waterman street	2	8
	South Main street	from Power street to Williams street	2	17
Waterman A lot		Broad street near Dorrance street	1	10

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Waterman A land	South Main street	lane through	1	13
Waterman John Capt. mill dam		Pocasset river near Hartford road	2	5
Waterman street		from North Main street to Benefit street	1	3
		from North Main street to Benefit street	1	13
		at Seekonk river	2	1
		at Seekonk river	2	5
		at Seekonk river	2	9
		from North Main street to Benefit street	2	8
		from North Main street to Benefit street	2	8
Well street	Middle street	from Power street to Williams street	2	17
West River highway over		south of Branch avenue	1	7
West street	Hope street	at Williams street	2	22
Westminster street		from Weybosset street to Manton avenue	1	2
		at Clemence street	1	4
		from Burrill street to Spring street	1	8
	Plainfield road	from Weybosset bridge to Manton avenue	1	12
		near Jackson street	1	13
		at Burrill street	1	15
		west of Turks head	1	21
		from Weybosset bridge westerly	1	22
		from Weybosset bridge to near Weybosset st	1	25
		from Weybosset street to near Jackson street	2	2
		from Orange street to Clemence street	2	3
	High street	from near Stewart street to Cranston street	2	11
Weybosset bridge			1	22
			1	25
			2	1
Weybosset street		from Broad street to Westminster street	1	2

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Weybosset street	Broad street	at Clemence street	1	4
	Broad street	from Broad street to Westminster street	1	8
	Broad street	from Dorrance street to Eddy street	1	10
	Plainfield road	from Weybosset bridge to Westminster street	1	12
	High street	at Burrill street	1	15
		west of Turks head	1	21
		at Turks head	1	25
		from Turks head to Dorrance street	1	22
		from Weybosset bridge to near Chestnut street	2	1
	Plainfield road	at junction Broad street	2	18
	Broad street	from Dorrance street westerly	2	3
Whipple Jonathan'land		Woodward road near Smithfield line	1	6
Whitmans house		Turks head	1	21
Wickenden street		at Benefit street	1	7
		at corner Benefit street	1	17
		from near Link street to near Hope street	1	24
	Ferry lane	near Benefit street	2	7
		from Link street to near Hope street	2	20
		at Brook street	2	22
Williams street	North Main street	at Church street	1	16
	Ashton street	from South Main street to Benefit street	2	17
		from Benefit street to Hope street	2	22
		at Brook street	2	22
		from Benefit street to Hope street	2	25
Winter street		from Westminster street to Broad street	2	11
Wionkhiege land at		Town of Smithfield	1	11
		Town of Smithfield	1	11
Woodward road		from Smithfield line southerly	1	6
		from near Branch avenue to near Veazie street	1	6

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REPORT.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Gentlemen: The Record Commissioners herewith present a further report of the work done by them since the last report made to your honorable body:

PROVIDENCE TOWN PAPERS.

The work in this class of records has been so far advanced that it may be said to be practically completed although from time to time accessions are made to the already voluminous collection of documents relating to the affairs of the town.

At the time of the presentation of the last report all the documents in what has been called by the Commissioners the third series and comprising papers up to the year 1828 had been arranged and classified filling one hundred and thirty-eight volumes. Since then the series has been completed and includes the following volumes covering the years 1828, 1829, 1830, 1831, 1832:

Vol. 139.	1828	. . . .	Nos. 0055063 to 0055981
Vol. 140.	1828	. . . .	Nos. 0055982 to 0056396
Vol. 141.	1828–1829	. . . .	Nos. 0056397 to 0057304
Vol. 142.	1829	. . . .	Nos. 0057305 to 0057695
Vol. 143.	1829	. . . .	Nos. 0057696 to 0058357
Vol. 144.	1829	. . . .	Nos. 0058358 to 0058896

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Vol. 145.	1829–1830	Nos. 0058897 to 0059299
Vol. 146.	1830	Nos. 0059300 to 0059825
Vol. 147.	1830	Nos. 0059826 to 0060653
Vol. 148.	1830–1831	Nos. 0060654 to 0061482
Vol. 149.	1831	Nos. 0061483 to 0061864
Vol. 150.	1831	Nos. 0061865 to 0062777
Vol. 151.	1831–1832	Nos. 0062778 to 0063576
Vol. 152.	Dec. 1717 Dec. 1827	Nos. 0063577 to 0063640
Vol. 153.	No date	Nos. 0063641 to 0063837
Vol. 154.	No date	Nos. 0063838 to 0064170
Vol. 155.	1722–1801	Sprague Papers.

Most of the documents included between the years 1642 and 1790 inclusive have been indexed, the index to them being a part of the Fourth Report of the Record Commissioners.

In order to complete the work on the earliest of the documentary possessions of the City the Commissioners have caused the volumes designated by them as the second series to be thoroughly indexed and this index accompanies and is a part of this report.

The documents in this so called second series comprise the papers that were temporarily deposited with the Rhode Island Historical Society in 1845 and which have now been returned to the City. This class of documents consists of 1369 papers being dated from 1639 to 1823 and are arranged in five volumes as follows:

Vol. 1.	1639 to April 1682 . . .	Nos. 01 to 0367
Vol. 2.	Apr. 1682 to Mar. 1722. .	Nos. 0368 to 0717
Vol. 3.	Apr. 1722 to Feb. 1754. .	Nos. 0718 to 0974
Vol. 4.	Aug. 1754 to June 1823 .	Nos. 0975 to 01056
Vol. 5.	No date papers.	Nos. 01057 to 01369

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The index to this series presents more than 3500 references and has been prepared under the direction of the Commissioners by Nathan M. Wright from material furnished by Welcome Arnold Greene. Mr. Greene's long experience in the study of Rhode Island history and institutions and of ancient manuscripts has peculiarly fitted him for the work of selecting from these torn, faded and half legible papers the salient points contained in them.

In addition to the donation of ancient documents relating to the town of Providence heretofore made the Commissioners have received from Samuel Anthony Hazard, Esquire, of this city, papers formerly the property of early representatives of the Fenner family, which papers in many cases refer to similar documents that were donated to the city by the late William Henry Fenner and are therefore of peculiar value to the municipality. There have also been received from the late Mrs. Harriet S. Humason of St. Louis, Mo., through the instrumentality of Lewis D. Greene, Lieutenant Seventh Infantry U. S. A., twenty-five ancient papers belonging to the Sprague family and these with the Fenner papers have been arranged in volumes with other papers belonging to the town.

MAPS AND PLANS OF PROVIDENCE.

In 1823 Daniel Anthony, a surveyor of much skill and experience, who twenty years previous had made the first complete map of the town, issued a Map of the Town of Providence from actual surveys, elegantly engraved on copper plates. Mr. Anthony

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sold and conveyed both the copyright and the plates of that map to the Town of Providence on April 24, 1824, since which time the plates have been stored away among the city's possessions, while the papers relating to this interesting transaction are on file in the office of the City Treasurer.

So scarce had prints from these plates become and so much sought after were they on account of the importance of their subject matter that the Commissioners have had copies of this ancient map struck off and inserted in this report. So valuable are maps of like character in determining the location of ancient boundaries, and so strikingly do they furnish illustration of the growth of the town or city, that, inasmuch as no such compilation has ever been made so far as the Commissioners are aware, they have caused the following list of the various maps of the town and city that have been printed, to be prepared. This list contains only such as have been separately printed or are contained in official or semi-official publications and has been prepared through the courtesy of Otis F. Clapp, Esq., City Engineer.

"A map of the Town of Providence from actual survey by Daniel Anthony 1803." Scale about 700 feet per inch. Size 24" x 16". One of these maps is on file in the City Engineer's Office.

"Map of the Town of Providence from actual survey by Daniel Anthony 1823." Scale about 700 feet per inch. Size 24" x 35". One of these maps is on file in the City Engineer's Office. The original copper plate of this map is the property of the city.

An Atlas, on file in the City Clerk's office, in 16

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sheets, each sheet 19″ x 23″, drawn on a scale of 100 feet per inch, has printed on the outside cover this title: "Plat of the Town of Providence 1823." The report presented with this atlas is as follows: "At a town meeting of the freemen of the Town of Providence legally warned and assembled at the town house on Wednesday, the 16th day of April, 1823, this atlas was presented in open town meeting with the report as follows: Report is made to this meeting and is as follows: The undersigned, a committee to cause a plat to be draughted of the public streets and gangways of the Town of Providence, respectfully report that they have employed Mr. Daniel Anthony to survey said streets and to delineate a plat thereof which they believe from his long experience and practice as a surveyor in the business of the town he has executed with accuracy and correctness. The committee also caused to be transcribed an alphabetical list of the streets with an index to the records of the layout and other doings touching said streets all which is respectfully submitted by Zachariah Allen, Thomas Burgess, Comt."

It is probable that this atlas furnished the materials for the map of the town of the same date previously referred to.

"Map of the City of Providence and Town of North Providence from actual survey by B. Lockwood & S. B. Cushing 1835." Scale about 1340 feet per inch. Size 20″ x 30″. One of these maps is on file in the City Engineer's Office. It includes the entire Town of North Providence with highways, topography, &c.

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"A map of the City of Providence from actual survey by Cushing & Walling 1849." Size 20″ x 24″. Scale 1000 feet per inch. Published by Gladding & Proud, Providence, R. I. This map shows parts of Cranston, Johnston, North Providence, and East Providence. Wards are shown in colors. One of these maps is on file in the Rhode Island Historical Society.

"A map of the City of Providence, Rhode Island. From surveys under the direction of H. F. Walling 1857." Scale 350 feet per inch. Size 58″ x 62″. This is a large wall map showing all streets and buildings in Providence and in portions of North Providence, East Providence, and Johnston.

On Feb. 10, 1869, at the request of Sampson, Davenport & Co., directory publishers, the City of Providence appropriated four hundred dollars toward defraying the expense of a new copper plate map of the City of Providence. Part of this sum was for the services of the City Engineer and the remainder for the purchase of three hundred copies of the completed map. Walling's large wall map of 1857 was then reduced by photography and corrected and maps of school districts numbered four and ten of the Town of Cranston, then recently annexed to the City of Providence, were changed to the same scale and the whole combined in one map under the direction of the City Engineer. The completed map bore the following title: "Map of the City of Providence, Rhode Island. Prepared under the direction of C. E. Paine, City Engineer, 1869." Scale 1000 feet per inch. Size 23″ x 28″. Since 1869 this map, corrected

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and enlarged from time to time and under a modified title, has been published annually with the city directory. Original is on file in the City Engineer's Office.

A small map on page nine of "Beer's Atlas of the State of Rhode Island" bears the following title: "Map of the City of Providence, Rhode Island, by D. G. Beers & Co. 1870." Scale 100 rods to an inch. Size 12″ x 15″. This map includes parts of North Providence, Johnston, Cranston, and East Providence.

"Map of the City of Providence, Rhode Island, from actual surveys and official records. Compiled and published by D. G. Beers & Co., 320 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, 1870." Scale 400 feet per inch. Size 59″ x 66″. This is a large wall map showing all streets and buildings in the City of Providence and includes parts of East Providence, North Providence, Johnston and Cranston. A copy of this map is on file in the City Engineer's Office.

"City atlas of Providence, Rhode Island, by wards, Complete in three volumes. Surveyed and published under the direction of G. M. Hopkins, C. E., 320 Walnut street, Philadelphia, 1875."

This atlas in four hundred twenty pages contains the most complete maps of Providence ever published. Buildings, street numbers, owners' names, lot numbers, areas, &c., are generally shown on each lot. Scale of maps from 80 to 240 feet per inch. Size 17″ x 26″. An index map of the City of Providence drawn on a scale of 1400 feet per inch is furnished on page eight. On file in City Engineer's Office.

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A map accompanying an "Illustrated Handbook of Providence by J. C. Thompson 1876" bears the following title: "New map of the City of Providence compiled from the latest official authorities published by J. C. Thompson 1875." Scale 2000 feet per inch. Size 12″ x 15″. This map includes parts of East Providence, Cranston, Johnston and North Providence.

"Index map of the City of Providence. Compiled and drawn from the most reliable sources by Albert L. Bodwell 1880. J. A. & R. A. Reid, 56 Weybosset street, Providence, R. I." Scale about 1200 feet per inch. Size 24″ x 27″. A copy of this map is on file in the City Engineer's Office.

"Atlas of the City of Providence, R. I., and environs, from official records, private plans and actual surveys. Published by G. M. Hopkins, C. E., 320 Walnut street, Philadelphia, 1882." This atlas includes also parts of East Providence, Johnston, Warwick, Cranston, and North Providence. All lots, streets, buildings, &c., are shown. Forty-four sheets, size 14″ x 18″. Scale usually 200 feet per inch. A copy of this atlas is on file in the City Engineer's Office.

A map issued in the "Providence Street Directory" bears this title: "New map of the City of Providence compiled from the latest authorities. Published by C. A. Pabodie & Son, 385 Westminster street. Size 14″ x 17″. Scale about 2000 feet per inch.

"New Topographical Atlas of surveys of Providence County, Rhode Island. Published by Evarts & Richards, Philadelphia, 1895."

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This atlas contains forty-seven double page maps in colors of the cities and towns in Providence County. Size 16″ x 22″. Scale of sheets showing City of Providence 200 and 300 feet per inch. An index map of the City of Providence and adjacent territory on a scale of 2000 feet per inch accompanies this atlas. Now on file in the City Engineer's Office.

PRINTING.

The work of printing the early records of the Town of Providence has been continued in accordance with the plan first laid out by the Commissioners. Soon after their appointment they made a careful examination of the various books of records and outlined a policy of proceedure which should be followed in the event that the City Council should from time to time make provision for the purpose. The generous appropriations made have enabled them to put in print the earliest books of the town council and the town meetings.

The first books to which the Commissioners devoted their attention are four in number and are in the custody of the Recorder of Deeds. These books are the earliest now extant used for recording the various town proceedings and when used no systematic method of keeping records had been inaugurated.

No attempt at classification of records was made for many years and the books were designated with names suggested by their shape or other characteristics. There was "the Long old Booke with parchment cover," "the old Burnt Booke," and "the Booke

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with Brass Clasps." This latter book when repaired and rebound some years ago was made into two volumes. These four books brought the records of the town up to about the year 1692.

Since the founding of the State up to the present time Town Councils have exercised the powers of Probate Courts.[1]

The records of the town council therefore contain all the probate proceedings, and as the first will book contained such town council records as well as the earliest wills and other matters relating to estates, it was thought best to print that volume especially as a transcript of it had already been made, the expense of copying it was saved.

This when completed made two printed volumes. Beginning with the year 1692 the records of both the town meeting and the town council were kept in separate books and these records the Commissioners have caused to be printed up to a period where their chronological sequence is unbroken.

Having reached this point the Commissioners have deemed it advisable to direct their attention to the preservation in print of the earliest books of land evidence or as they are commonly called, "Deed Books," in the custody of the Recorder of Deeds. On the records contained in these volumes depend the foundation title to all the lands in Providence and in fact to a large part of the territory in northern Rhode Island.

Two centuries wear and tear have already shown

[1] In cities and in some towns this custom has been done away with and Judges of Probate are regularly elected. In Providence the Municipal Court exercising probate jurisdiction was organized when the town became a city.

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their effect upon these volumes and unless some attention is paid to them at once they will become so worn and mutilated as greatly to impair their value. The Commissioners have therefore had the first Deed Book, so called, copied for printers use and propose to put this in print next. The importance of preserving such records is shown by the fact that the City of Boston has caused to be printed in the most complete manner the six earliest deed books of Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

On account of the material contained in these books it has seemed to the Commissioners desirable to depart somewhat from the style in which the preceding volumes of the early records have been printed.

Since the presentation of the last report of this Commission death has removed our associate, George Moulton Carpenter, who died at Katwijk-aan-Zee July 31, 1896.

At a meeting of the Commissioners held on the first day of August, 1896, the following preamble and resolution were adopted and ordered spread upon the records of the Commission:

"WHEREAS it has pleased Almighty God to remove from this life George Moulton Carpenter, one of the Record Commissioners of the City of Providence, whose death occurred at Katwijk-aan-Zee, Holland, July 31, 1896:—*Resolved*, That in the death of Judge Carpenter his associates recognize the great loss which this Commission has sustained and desire to place upon record their appreciation of his services and worth and their sorrow at his untimely demise.

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For more than five years, during the life of this Commission, the relations between the Commissioners and their late associate have been of such a character that its harmony has never been broken and so cordial, friendly, and intimate have been their association that their hours of labor have been hours of pleasure. The enthusiasm of our late associate for the work was intense, and his promptness in response to calls for his time and service, often at great personal sacrifice, was characteristic of the interest and zeal which he ever displayed.

Resolved, That in the death of Judge Carpenter the Commission has been deprived of an earnest, zealous, and sympathetic member—a member who has borne his full share in the work and who by his happy disposition has made light the hours of labor.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the Records of the Commissioners.

In addition to this the Commissioners prepared a brief biographical memorial of Judge Carpenter which with a portrait was presented with the eleventh volume of the Early Records of the Town of Providence.

PROVIDENCE TAX ASSESSMENT LISTS.

Among the ancient records belonging to the city are many of the tax assessment lists although nothing like a complete collection now remains. In early times it was the habit of retiring town officials to retain in their own possession such papers as had accumulated during their terms of office and especially such as related to matter that had been

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finally disposed of. Many of these, doubtless, have been destroyed, it being considered that they were of no further use or importance.

The following list includes all the tax lists, rate or assessment lists, that have thus far been brought to light, up to and including the year 1789:

A town rate, September 1650	Providence Town Papers No. 039
A town rate, June 1671	Providence Town Papers No. 0203
A town rate, July 1679	Providence Town Papers No. 0276
A list of two rates—one for £4, 8s. for payment of Joseph Jenckes on Colony's account—the other £7 assessed on town by Colony July 1680	Providence Town Papers No. 0308
A town rate of £11 July 1680	Providence Town Papers No. 0309
A town rate of £10 in country pay January 1680-81	Providence Town Papers No. 0331
A town and Colony rate, October 1684	Providence Town Papers No. 0440 No. 0441
A rate for support of "His Majesty's Government" by commissioner and selectmen July 1687	Providence Town Papers No. 0511
A town rate to support child of Thomas Waters, pay for pound and other things October 1687	Providence Town Papers No. 0516
A country rate August 1688	Providence Town Papers No. 0531
A list of inhabitants of Providence who are rated by the head—taken by the commissioner and selectmen August 1688	Providence Town Papers No. 0532
A rate for £128 January 1698	Providence Town Papers No. 0582

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Providence Colony rate	June 1705.
A Colony rate August 1705	Providence Town Papers No 0631
Providence Colony rate	September 29, 1705.
Town's part in a Colony tax July 1720	Providence Town Papers No. 0976
A rate assessed on first and fourth companies of train band January 1744	Providence Town Papers No. 0776
A rate assessed on second and third companies of train band January 1744	Providence Town Papers No. 0777
Providence Colony rate	September 1749.
Providence Colony rate	January 1752.
Providence Colony rate	December 1754.
Providence Colony rate	December 1755.
Providence Colony rate	November 1756.
Providence Colony rate	January 1757.
Providence valuation list	June 1757 imperfect.
Providence Colony rate	July 1757.
Providence Colony rate	November 1757.
Providence Colony rate	November 1757 imperfect.
Providence Colony rate	December 1757.
Providence Colony rate	July 1758.
Rate Streak for an Engine January 1759	Providence Town Papers No. 323
Providence Colony rate	July 1759.
Providence Colony rate	July 1760.
Providence Colony rate	July 11, 1760.
Rate Streak for paying charges on engine January 1761	Providence Town Papers No. 344
Providence Colony rate	November 1761.
Providence Town rate	November 1761.
Providence Colony rate	October 1762.
Providence Colony rate	September 1763.
Providence Colony rate	September 1763.
Providence Colony rate	October 1764.
Providence Town rate	October 1764.

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Providence proportion of Colony rate	1765–1766.
Providence Town rate	September 1766.
Providence Colony rate	July 1768.
Providence Colony rate	June 1769.
Providence Colony rate	June 1769.
Providence Colony rate	June 1770.
Providence Colony rate	November 1770.
Providence Colony rate and Fire Engine Tax	September 1771.
Providence Colony tax	September 1771.
Rate Streak for an Engine August 1772	Providence Town Papers No. 458
Providence Colony rate	September 1772.
Providence Colony tax	September 1772.
Providence Colony rate	October 1773.
Providence Colony rate	February 1775.
Providence Town rate	January 1776.
Providence rate streak	January 1777.
Providence Colony rate streak	March 1777.
Providence valuation list	March 1777.
Providence valuation list	May 1777.
Providence Colony rate	November 1777.
Providence valuation list	November 1777.
Providence Colony rate	February 1778.
Providence valuation list	February 1778.
Providence Colony rate streak	April 1778.
Providence valuation list	April 1778.
Providence Town rate	June 1778.
Providence valuation list	June 1778.
Providence rate streak	September 1778.
Providence valuation list	September 1778.
Providence rate streak	December 1778.
Providence valuation list	December 1778.
Providence rate streak	March 1779.
Providence valuation list	March 1779.
Providence rate streak	July 1779.
Providence valuation list	July 1779.

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Valuation list July 1779	Providence Town Papers No. 0908
Providence valuation list	January 1780.
Providence rate streak	March 1780.
Providence valuation list	March 1780.
Providence rate streak	May 1780.
Providence valuation list	May 1780.
Providence valuation list	June 1780.
Providence rate streak	July 1780.
Providence rate streak	August 1780.
Providence valuation list	August 1780.
Providence rate streak	September 1780.
Providence rate streak	December 1780.
Providence valuation list	December 1780.
Providence valuation list	January 1781.
Providence rate streak	February 1781.
Providence rate streak	June 1781.
Providence valuation list	June 1781.
Providence rate streak	September 1781.
Providence valuation list	September 1781.
Providence rate streak	March 1782.
Providence valuation list	March 1782.
Providence rate streak	July 1782.
Providence valuation list	July 1783.
Providence rate streak	August 1783.
Providence valuation list	February 1784.
Providence rate streak	March 1784.
Providence valuation list	August 1784.
Providence rate streak	September 1784.
Providence rate streak	July 1785.
Providence valuation list	July 1785.
Providence State tax	October 1785.
Valuation list October 1785	Providence Town Papers No. 3588
Providence Town tax	September 1786.
Providence valuation list	September 1786.
Providence State tax	April 1787.
Providence valuation list	April 1787.
Providence rate streak	July 1787.
Providence valuation list	July 1787.

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Providence rate streak	November 1787.
Providence valuation list	November 1787.
Providence valuation list	June 1788.
Providence rate streak	August 1788.
Providence rate streak	April 1789.
Providence valuation list	April 1789.
Providence valuation list	July 1789.
Providence rate streak	November 1789.
Providence valuation list	November 1789.
A defective list—no date	Providence Town Papers No. 01179
Assessment list — no date, imperfect	
Providence valuation of estates	No date.
A rate of 2 pennies 3 farthings to the pound—no date	Providence Town Papers No. 01092[1]

CONCLUSION.

The Commissioners have devoted much attention to the collecting and collating the various classes of records which for years have been scattered here and there among the public offices.

It is impossible to fully estimate the value that these old papers and documents may, at any time, be to the municipality, and they should be so arranged and classified that they can be consulted and made use of at any moment with the least possible trouble. The importance which those already prepared have been to the City shows conclusively that all the expense and hours of labor thus far bestowed upon them

[1] The tax lists not designated by special numbers are in separate bound volumes.

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have been wisely expended and has justified the appropriations which have been placed in the hands of the Commission to prosecute the work.

Respectfully submitted,

HORATIO ROGERS,

EDWARD FIELD,

Record Commissioners.

PROVIDENCE, NOV. 3, 1897.

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INTRODUCTION

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INTRODUCTION TO THE INDEX.

The index here presented, while seeming to the casual reader to be simply an outline of some 1369 miscellaneous papers among the documentary possessions of the City of Providence, will prove, upon examination, to be a very complete explanation of the contents of the papers mentioned.

The Colonial and Revolutionary periods are particularly referred to in these manuscripts, but a few bear date as late as the first quarter of the nineteenth century.

Though each document by itself may at first glance seem fragmentary, yet a careful study of this index as a whole, will satisfy any one familiar with such material that here may be found basic data for a history of Providence Plantations and the other early settlements composing what is now the State of Rhode Island. Taken in connection with data already before the public the records outlined in the following pages will prove an important addition to the records of the town of Providence, and are worthy of most careful preservation.

The 1369 manuscripts here enumerated have been classified and arranged chronologically in five volumes, and to prevent confusion with other indexed papers each of these has the character o prefixed to its number.

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Nearly two centuries, it will be observed, are covered by the manuscripts embraced in this index, which, in round numbers, contains about 600 leading titles and 5,000 sub-references. It has been the aim of the Commissioners to bring out as completely as possible the features of the documents enumerated, so if a single reference fails to make clear the purport of any of these manuscripts, the reader will find cross-references that will.

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Many of the leading titles in this index have been selected because of their appearance in other indexes prepared by the Commissioners, notably that in the Fourth Report, and those in the volumes of Early Records now in type.

It will be noticeable that there are many persons and places mentioned, some with names of English origin, others illustrating Indian nomenclature. There are references to Courts and their officials, to the towns and their public servants, to land claims and claimants, to the allotments in the town of Providence, to the "Purchasers and Proprietors" of Meshantatuck, Pawtuxet, Providence, and Westconnaug. Reference is made to the war with King Philip and the burning of Providence, the Pequot War, the Dutch and Indian War, and the war with Great Britain.

Copies of laws enacted by the General Assembly appear among these documents, and are referred to under "Bulk of Laws."

The "List of Titles" which follows this introduction will prove useful as a brief summary of what the index contains.

Special attention is called to certain features of nomenclature and arrangement which will prevent any misunderstanding and may prove of advantage.

So far as consistent with clearness all adjectives have been avoided in the leading titles.

Under the title "Assistant" may be found the names of twenty-nine persons arranged alphabetically, without respect to chronology, and with numerous references to their official services.

Many family names are spelled in a great variety of ways in the manuscripts here indexed, for example: Abbott, Balcom, Bailey, Clemence, Dyer, Edmonds, Gereardy, Harding, Hearnden, Holden, Holliman, Inman, Lippitt, Olney, Patey, Reape, Throckmorton, Tyler, Verin, Westcott, and Wright. As uniformity seemed preferable in an index of this character, names of early families have been spelled herein in accordance with the usage in Austin's Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island.

Names of places now recognized in Rhode Island have been spelled in this index in accordance with the nomenclature adopted by the Commissioners who prepared the Topographical Map of the State in 1891 in cöoperation with the United States Geological Survey. In this category may be mentioned Louisquisset, Neutaconkanut, Mashapaug, Westconnaug, Wionkhiege, and Woonasquatucket. There are numerous ways of spelling Louisquisset in the Records, and as a matter of curiosity it may be noted that in the few documents mentioned under this title this word is spelled in no less than ten different ways, viz.: Loquasqussuck, Locusquessett, Loquessoett, Loquassqusock, Loakesquissit, Loquassquisck, Loquasset, Loksquesut, Loqisett, Loquassqussuck. Indian names not included in the Topographical Map above referred to that occur variously, have been spelled in accordance with the most frequent usage, as shown in the first ten volumes of the Early Records of the Town of Providence.

Under the title "Constable" appear thirty-seven names alphabetically arranged without reference to chronology. In most instances, however,

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where the number of individual names under a heading are few, they have been arranged alphabetically under each year. In practically every instance, except those cited, sub-titles are arranged in chronological order. See Estate, General Assembly, Highway, Surveyors, Jurors, Etc.

Natural features are grouped under such headings as Bay, Brook, Cove, Falls, Field, Ford, Hill, Meadow, Neck, Plain, Point, Pond, River, Swamp, and Valley. Under Bridges may be found the names of fourteen bridges; under Brooks twelve brooks are mentioned. The word "Lot" has sub-references to "Forty-foot lots," "Home lot," "Jail lot," "Warehouse lot," and "Water lot."

There are documents, too, bearing on boundary questions. Some refer to troubles with the neighboring colonies, and others to arrangements between towns within the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

Under the title "Memorandum" are some miscellaneous references. Where memoranda are known to refer to any other particular title of the index they have been placed under that title, but the memoranda given under this title are such as cannot be so placed.

One of the serious results of King Philip's War was the destruction of many official documents belonging to the town of Providence, so that titles to estates were thus left in obscurity. This fact is well illustrated in document 0676, referred to under Lot, Meadow, Throckmorton, Wright, and other titles. It details the results of an investigation made in the year 1709, concerning the ownership of lands originally allotted to John Throckmorton, proving very conclusively that the land records of Providence in that year were deficient in many particulars, and also showing in what manner the truth was arrived at in this instance. After reciting the statements in the records the report continues as follows: "But now having done with what I can yet find by ye records I shall mind something as to what fame reports as concerning Mr. Throckmorton's right of lands, the which is also well known and hath by ye Antcient neighbours been well known as well as the report of only fame, that Mr. Throckmorton had a house lott being 5 acres which Sam: Wright dwells on and one share of salt meadow near to Waybossett, and two pieces of salt marsh more for another share of meadow. The one piece lieing upon Wanasquatucket River and the other piece adjoined to Mr. Williams his meaddow, which sd two pieces both made one share the which said lot and meaddow Henry Wright bought. There is also 20 acres of land which Sam: Wright sold unto Mr Crwfrd which was also Mr Throckmortons, otherwise Sam: Wright could not have had it to have sold. There is also a house lott which was Edward Copes on which William Austin sometimes dwelt: there is also one share of meaddow upon the north side of Moshassuck River by Dexter's bridge," etc.

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Pawtuxet figured prominently in the early history of the State and there are many references to its purchase, its bounds, and its proprietors.

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Undoubtedly the manner of giving the fullest knowledge of the papers in the possession of the city would be to print them *in extenso*, but, as they are so numerous, the expense of putting them all in type would be large, and the time required to do so would be great. In order, therefore, to make them as reasonably and immediately accessible, as the circumstances of the case seem to admit, the indexes accompanying the Commissioners' Fourth Report and their present Report, have been prepared, by the use of which the seeker for information can learn the general character of the papers, and thus be guided to any particular manuscript shedding light upon the subject engaging his attention. The practical value of these papers to the city from a pecuniary standpoint alone, since they have been arranged and rendered accessible by the Commissioners, has been abundantly proved, so that the wisdom of supplying, measurably at least, a key to their contents in the form of an index has beer convincingly demonstrated.

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Joseph Brown							1752	0966	1759	0878	
Richard Coman							1752	0966	1754	0978	
John Comstock			1752	0966	1754	0975	0978	1757	0878	1758	0877
1759 0878											
Joseph Fisk							1752	0966	1754	0978	
Capt. Christopher Lippitt									1752	0966	
Thomas Olney							1752	0966	1759	0878	
John Potter, Jr.									1752	0966	
Henry Randall									1752	0966	
William Stone									1752	0966	
Josiah Thornton							1752	0966	1754	0978	
John Warner									1752	0966	
Jonathan Whipple									1752	0966	
William Whipple									1752	0966	
Jacob Whitman									1752	0966	
Jeremiah Williams									1752	0966	
Daniel Abbott	1754	0975	0978	1757	0878	1758	0877	0878	1759	0878	
Oliver Angell	1754	0975	0978	1757	0878	1758	0877	0878	1759	0878	
Obadiah Brown									1754	0978	
William Clark			1754	0975	0978	1758	0877	0878	1759	0878	
Nathaniel Day					1754	0975	1757	0878	1759	0878	
Peleg Dexter							1754	0978	1757	0878	
Zachariah Eddy							1754	0975	1757	0878	
Thomas Field									1754	0975	
Amos Hopkins									1754	0975	
George Law	1754	0975	0978	1757	0878	1758	0877	0878	1759	0878	
Daniel Olney									1754	0978	
Grindall Rawson									1754	0978	
Gilbert Seamans (or Simmons)									1754	0978	
Daniel Smith							1754	0975	1759	0878	
Edward Smith			1754	0975	1757	0878	1758	0877	0878		
Joseph Smith									1754	0978	
Jonathan Stone							1754	0975	1757	0878	
James Thurber							1754	0975	1757	0878	
Amos Whipple									1754	0975	
Robert Williams								1754	0975	0978	
Luther Hawkins									1757	0878	
Anthony Olney									1757	0878	
Edward Thurber						1757	0878	1758	0877	0878	
John Waterman						1757	0878	1758	0877	0878	
John Waterman, son of Joseph								1758	0877	0878	
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John Ainsel no date 01128
John Angell no date 01180 01185
John Arnold no date 01082 01261
Thomas Arnold no date 01074 01086 01265
James Ashton no date 01149 01309
William Austin no date 01098
James Ballou no date 01128 01249
John Ballou no date 01128 01223
Peter Ballou no date 01128
James Blackmar no date 01129 01234 01246
Daniel Brown no date 01220
Henry Brown, Sr. no date 01118

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Henry Brown, Jr.	no date 01118
John Brown	no date 01071 01106 01120
Mary Burden	no date 01204
Timothy Carpenter	no date 01146 01192 01235
Joshua Clarke	no date 01279
Richard Clemence	no date 01164 01195
Thomas Clemence	no date 01128
Samuel Comstock	no date 01061
Mary Condin	no date 01191
Gideon Crawford	no date 01245
John Dexter	no date 01104 01163
Thomas Esten	no date 01178 01189 01266
Arthur Fenner, Jr.	no date 01187 01263
Thomas Fenner	no date 01090 01167 01237
John and Zachariah Field	no date 01173 01269
Thomas Field	no date 01193 01219 01288
Abraham Harding	no date 01058 01101
Israel Harding	no date 01231
John Harding	no date 01231
Stephen Harding	no date 01102 01231
Benjamin Hearnden	no date 01128 01325
John Hearnden	no date 01183
Joseph Hearnden	no date 01128
William Hearnden	no date 01128
Widow Hearnden	no date 01159
Andrew Harris, deceased	no date 01170
Mary Harris	no date 01247
Mary Harris, widow	no date 01139
Thomas Harris	no date 01164 01239
Edward Hawkins	no date 01181
William Hawkins	no date 01268
William Hawkins, Jr.	no date 01196
Thomas Hopkins	no date 01094 01128 01299
William Hopkins	no date 01116 01148 01164 01221
Edward Inman, Sr.	no date 01097 01279
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John Inman	no date 01128 01223 01318
George Keech	no date 01294
John Keese and wife	no date 01141 01172
Clement King	no date 01089
William Landers	no date 01188
John Malavery	no date 01128 01160
Abraham Man	no date 01232
Edward Manton	no date 01141 01172 01240
Shadrach Manton	no date 01141 01172 01222
Widow Mathuson	no date 01248

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James Mattinson no date 01227
John Mowry no date 01128 01160
Nathaniel Mowry no date 01097
Epenetus Olney no date 01126 01212 01319
Thomas Olney no date 01149 01277 01309
Thomas Patey no date 01264 01276 01301
Ephraim Pray no date 01160 01164 01251
John Pray no date 01128 01160
William Pray no date 01120 01286
William Randall no date 01068 01183
Johanna Reape no date 01234 01246
Jeremiah Rhodes no date 01246
John Sayles no date 01151 01152 01280
John Scott, orphans of no date 01269
John Sheldon no date 01164 01312
Timothy Sheldon no date 01059
Edward Smith no date 01128 01178 01242
John Smith (miller) no date 01095 01175
Joseph Smith no date 01313
Joseph Smith and mother no date 01254
Jonathan Sprague no date 01153
John Thornton no date 01155 01183
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Solomon Thornton no date 01155
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Nathaniel Waterman no date 01182 01250 01297
Richard Waterman no date 01076 01260 01289
Benjamin Whipple no date 01075 01238
David Whipple no date 01066
Eleazer Whipple no date 01160 01164 01230
John Whipple no date 01068 01130 01290
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Jonathan Whipple no date 01061 01285
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